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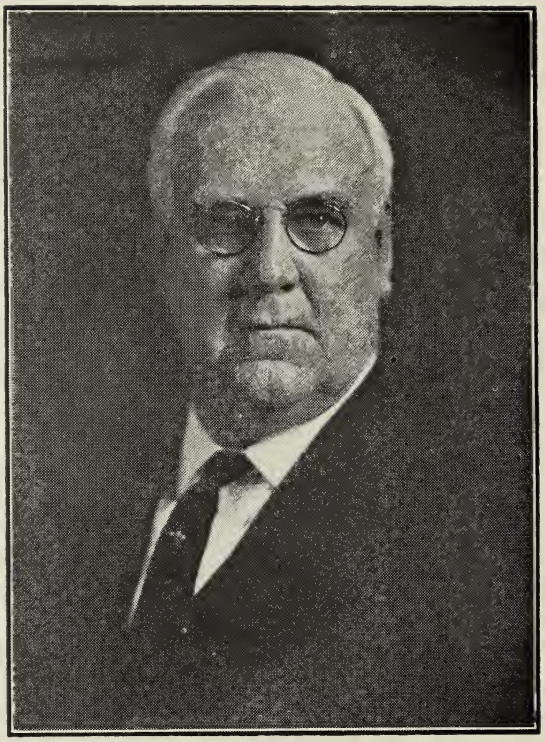

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1. *Conference President:* Bishop W. F. McMurry, 513 Security Building, St. Louis, Mo.

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4. *Marvin College Treasurer:* Reverend F. S. Crowe, 2801 Union, St. Louis, Mo.

5. *Educational Campaign Collector:* Reverend P. H. Linn, Fayette, Mo.

6. *Centenary Campaign Secretary:* Reverend V. O. White, Fayette, Mo.

7. *Conference Centenary Treasurer:* C. A. Tolin, Mississippi Valley Trust Co., Fourth and Pine, St. Louis, Mo.

Where to Send Money

1. That collected on the Budget for General Work and Conference Work, to the *Conference Teller,* Reverend R. E. Foard.

2. That collected on the *Superannuate Endowment Fund* to Reverend L. E. Todd, General Secretary, Board of Finance, Security Building, St. Louis, Mo.

3. That collected on the Marvin College Special Assessment, to the *Conference Teller,* Reverend R. E. Foard.

4. That collected on the assessment of 6% of the amount paid on the combined salaries of the presiding elders and pastors, for the support of the Conference Claimants, to the *Conference Teller,* Reverend R. E. Foard.

5. That collected on *undirected* pledges of the Educational Campaign, to the *Educational Campaign Collector,* Reverend P. H. Linn.

6. That collected on the Educational Campaign from pledges *specially directed* to Marvin College, to the *Marvin College Treasurer,* Reverend F. S. Crowe.

7. That collected on the Centenary Campaign pledges to the *Conference Centenary Treasurer,* C. A. Tolin.

Caution

When sending money, always be careful to state explicitly what Cause it is for, and what District and Charge it is from.

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Conference Teller: Reverend R. E. Foard, Neosho and Morganford Road, St. Louis, Mo.
Conference Missionary Secretary: P. A. Kasey, Jackson, Mo.
Centenary Secretary: Reverend V. O. White, 402 Security Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.
Educational Secretary: Reverend L. R. Jenkins, Charleston, Mo.
Conference Lay Leader: J. Will Pierce, Cape Girardeau, Mo.
Treasurer Marvin College Special Contributions: Reverend F. S. Crowe, 2801 Union Boulevard, St. Louis, Mo.
Conference Sunday School Superintendent: Reverend R. L. Duckworth, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

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Clerical: J. T. Ricketts, P. G. Thogmorton.
Lay: J. R. Funk, J. W. Hughes, W. H. Stubblefield, Jr., W. E. Hollingsworth.

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President: Reverend Clarence Burton, Kennett, Mo.
Vice-President: Reverend T. E. Smith, Fredericktown, Mo.
Secretary: Reverend R. E. Foard, St. Louis, Mo.
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Lay: L. H. Williams, Emil Steck, Dr. E. G. Cope, E. H. Jeffries, J. C. Brown.

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Acting Secretary: T. L. Bess.
Treasurer: H. A. Pope, Clayton, Mo.
Clerical: J. A. Brown, D. R. Wasson.
Lay: J. M. Haw, J. L. Wood, Orville Zimmerman, Mrs. J. W. Hughes.

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Vice-President: Reverend J. T. Evitts, Bonne Terre, Mo.
Secretary: Reverend H. E. Ryan, Festus, Mo.
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Clerical: R. B. Kimbrell, Thomas Mather.
Lay: Wm. Hollaway, C. L. Whitener, C. T. McDaniel, J. M. Stephens.

Board of Education

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Treasurer: Dr. J. W. Vaughan, Washington and Euclid, St. Louis, Mo.
Clerical: L. R. Jenkins, C. P. Thogmorton.
Lay: J. P. Mabrey, S. F. Deneke, J. W. Berryman, Chas. Chilton.

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Conference Lay Leader: J. Will Pierce, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

District Lay Leaders: St. Louis District, A. E. Whitaker, St. Louis, Mo.; *Farmington District,* R. C. Tucker, Farmington, Mo.; *Cape Girardeau District,* R. M. McCombs, Jackson, Mo.; *Poplar Bluff District,* Fred Spell, Doniphan, Mo.; *West Plains District,* G. A. Ruggles, St. James, Mo.

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President: Reverend S. M. Robinson, Wagoner Place and Lucky St., St. Louis, Mo.

Secretary: Reverend H. H. Johnson, Kirkwood, Mo.

Clerical: W. A. Humphreys, Arthur Mather, C. C. Fesler.

Lay: C. F. Meentemeyer, P. B. Kinder, Geo. W. Hall, Albert J. Rushing, W. A. Ruggles.

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Admissions: W. J. Velvick, J. R. Bullington, Fred Eaker, W. H. Hansford, J. L. Haw.

Admission on Trial: J. D. Tussey, J. W. Ham, W. E. Sullens.

First Year: H. P. Waits, Ola A. Bowers, E. H. Orear.

Class: James F. E. Bates, Fred J. Stattler, Nat T. Buckley, Francis P. Cook, Calvin N. Gaines, Rufus E. Carpenter, C. Marvin Burton, Herbert H. Brower, Jesse J. Willis, John A. Bertram, Eugene H. Farmer, Harvey Eli Stone.

Second Year: J. R. Spann, J. T. Evitts, J. M. Bradley.

Class: James C. Reid, John E. Ellis, B. L. Schubel, G. Kelly Robinson, Francis M. Love, Daniel E. Cannaday, Acton E. Middlebrooks, Robert J. Blunt.

Third Year: John McCarthy, T. B. Mather, T. E. Smith.

Class: None.

Fourth Year: H. E. Ryan, J. T. Ricketts, F. S. Crowe.

Class: Joseph H. Jones, Lawrence E. Murphy, F. D. Stickney, F. M. Mayfield.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

Public Worship: A. C. Johnson, T. B. Mather, R. G. Applegate.

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Conference Relations: P. A. Kasey, J. R. Bullington, H. P. Waits, L. D. Nichol, J. W. Ham, H. H. Johnson, J. C. Montgomery.

District Conference Records: H. E. Ryan, J. A. Brown, R. E. Ledbetter, M. A. Myers, I. C. Bradsher.

Church Property: C. R. Baker, J. W. Duncan, A. J. Rushing, John Doherty, Mrs. G. C. Plummer, R. C. Tucker.

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Committee on Religious Work at Southeast Missouri State Normal: A. W. Vaughan, J. H. Gehrs, Rush H. Limbaugh, Pastor of Centenary Methodist Church, Cape Girardeau, and the Presiding Elder of the Cape Girardeau District.

CURATORS OF SCHOOLS

Marvin College: The Presiding Elders of the Conference, Frank L. Wells, J. N. Broadhead, A. C. Johnson, H. P. Crowe, W. E. Brown, Ivan Lee Holt, Louis Boeger, J. W. Fristoe, R. G. Applegate, C. L. Whitener.

Central College: C. M. Hay, C. E. Burford, Alfred F. Smith, Ivan Lee Holt, X. P. Wilfley, J. W. Fristoe, J. W. Vaughan, Lawrence Boogher, W. F. McMurry.

Central College for Women: E. M. Hopkins, G. W. Hall, Alfred F. Smith, B. G. Shackleford, J. A. Houchin, R. W. Brooks.

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Barnes Hospital: Paul Brown, Frank Rand, J. W. Fristoe, Reverend C. W. Webdell, Chaplain.

Arcadia Assembly: A. C. Johnson, Chairman; P. A. Price, Secretary; Fletcher S. Crowe, Treasurer; O. H. Duggins, Louis Miller, R. L. Russell, Clarence Burton.

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Good Citizenship Conference: C. W. Tadlock, C. M. Hay.

On Commission of Religious Work at the State University: W. E. Brown.

Methodist Foundation: Ivan Lee Holt.

On Continuance Committee for Religious Education: J. R. Spann.

SOCIETIES

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CHRONOLOGICAL ROLL—CONFERENCE MEMBERS

Number	*Name*	*Relation*	*Admitted*	
1	Biffle, S. C.	Se.	On Trial	1874
2	Walton, R.	Se.	On Trial	1880
3	Tyler, W. S.	Se.	On Trial	1881
4	Lord, Thos.	E.	On Trial	1883
5	Rinkel, E. J.	Se.	On Trial	1885
6	Paschal, W. H.	Se.	Re-adm.	1886
7	Talley, W. F.	Se.	On Trial	1888
8	Doherty, J. D.	E.	On Trial	1889
9	Donnan, W. Q.	Sy.	On Trial	1889
10	Eaker, Fred	E.	On Trial	1890
11	Kennedy, R. D.	E.	On Trial	1890
12	Robinson, A. M.	Se.	Re-adm.	1891
13	McCann, Z. T.	Se.	Transfer	1891
14	Russell, R. L.	E.	On Trial	1892
15	Burton, Clarence	E.	On Trial	1892
16	Henry, N. B.	E.	Transfer	1892
17	Heys, W. J.	E.	On Trial	1893
18	Humphreys, W. A.	E.	On Trial	1894
19	Nichol, L. D.	E.	On Trial	1894
20	Velvick, W. J.	E.	On Trial	1897
21	Worsnop, J. W.	E.	Transfer	1897
22	Cunningham, W. H.	Se.	Transfer	1898
23	Carpenter, R. C.	Se.	Transfer	1899
24	Vaughan, J. R. A.	E.	Transfer	1900
25	Baldridge, A. S. J.	E.	On Trial	1901
26	McMurry, W. F.	E.	Transfer	1901
27	Duggins, O. H.	E.	Transfer	1901
28	Bullington, J. R.	E.	On Trial	1902
29	Crowe, H. P.	E.	Transfer	1903
30	Todd, L. E.	E.	Transfer	1903
31	Foard, R. E.	E.	On Trial	1905
32	Davis, D. R.	E.	On Trial	1906
33	Wood, J. A.	E.	On Trial	1907
34	King, W. L.	Se.	On Trial	1907
35	Eaker, Linus	E.	On Trial	1907
36	Taylor, H. L.	E.	On Trial	1907
37	Walker, Geo.	E.	On Trial	1907
38	Kincaide, J. R.	E.	Transfer	1907
39	Jenkins, L. R.	E.	Transfer	1907
40	Berry, C. C.	Se.	Transfer	1907
41	Wainwright, S. H.	E.	Transfer	1907
42	Broadhead, J. N.	E.	On Trial	1908
43	Stewart, Wm.	E.	On Trial	1908
44	Marlin, Lloyd	E.	On Trial	1908
45	Ricketts, J. T.	E.	Transfer	1908
46	Smith, T. E.	E.	On Trial	1909
47	Bowers, O. A.	E.	On Trial	1909
48	Duncan, J. W.	E.	Transfer	1909
49	Godbey, A. H.	Se.	Transfer	1909
50	Self, J. T.	E.	Transfer	1909
51	Holt, Ivan Lee	E.	Transfer	1910
52	Newsome, J. S.	E.	On Trial	1910
53	Ham, J. W.	E.	Transfer	1910
54	Dennis, C. L.	E.	Transfer	1910

Number	Name	Relation	Admitted	
55	McCarthy, John	E.	Another Church	1910
56	Evitts, J. T.	E.	On Trial	1911
57	Barham, C. J.	E.	On Trial	1911
58	Myers, M. A.	E.	Transfer	1911
59	Orear, E. H.	E.	Transfer	1911
60	Kirkendoll, C. P.	E.	On Trial	1912
61	Dohn, C. J.	E.	On Trial	1912
62	Haw, J. L.	E.	On Trial	1913
63	Johnson, H. H.	E.	Transfer	1913
64	Godbey, J. E.	Se.	Transfer	1913
65	Tadlock, C. W.	E.	Transfer	1913
66	Bess, T. L.	E.	On Trial	1914
67	Smith, A. F.	E.	Re-adm.	1914
68	Mather, A.	E.	Transfer	1914
69	Wright, B. L.	E.	Transfer	1914
70	Crowe, F. S.	E.	On Trial	1915
71	Baker, C. R.	E.	On Trial	1915
72	Thogmorton, C. P.	E.	On Trial	1916
73	Montgomery, J. C.	E.	On Trial	1916
74	Fesler, C. C.	E.	On Trial	1916
75	King, J. M.	E.	Transfer	1916
76	Thogmorton, P. G.	E.	Transfer	1916
77	Doss, H. W.	E.	Transfer	1916
78	Robinson, S. M.	E.	Transfer	1917
79	Ryan, H. E.	E.	Transfer	1917
80	Tussey, J. D.	E.	Re adm.	1917
81	George, R. C.	E.	Re-adm.	1917
82	Mayfield, F. M.	E.	On Trial	1918
83	Stickney, F. D.	E.	Re-adm.	1918
84	Kasey, P. A.	E.	Transfer	1918
85	Brown, W. E.	E.	Transfer	1918
86	Kazee, D. B.	E.	Transfer	1919
87	Brown, J. A.	E.	Transfer	1919
88	Peterson, T. G.	E.	Transfer	1919
89	Bradley, J. M.	E.	Transfer	1919
90	Smith, R. L.	E.	Transfer	1919
91	McDaniels, J. C.	E.	On Trial	1919
92	Grampp, F. W.	E.	On Trial	1919
93	Banta, F. J.	E.	On Trial	1919
94	Hansford, W. H.	E.	Transfer	1920
95	Blaese, M. M.	Se.	Re-adm.	1920
96	Jones, Jos. H.	E.	On Trial	1920
97	Ensor, J. O.	E.	Transfer	1921
98	Wasson, D. R.	E.	Transfer	1921
99	Spann, J. R.	E.	Transfer	1921
100	Sherman, G. B.	E.	Transfer	1921
101	Culbertson, A. B.	E.	Transfer	1921
102	Bradsher, I. C.	E.	Transfer	1921
103	Givan, Smith	E.	Transfer	1921
104	McGehee, C. D.	E.	Transfer	1921
105	Mather, T. B.	E.	Transfer	1921
106	Fulton, J. Watt	E.	Transfer	1922
107	Sullens, W. E.	E.	Transfer	1922
108	Cameron, G. E.	E.	Transfer	1922
109	Ledbetter, R. E.	E.	Transfer	1922
110	Murphy, L. E.	E.	Transfer	1922
111	Duckworth, R. L.	E.	Transfer	1922

Number	Name	Relation	Admitted	
112	Kimbrell, R. B.	E.	Transfer	1923
113	Holtom, A. B.	E.	Transfer	1923
114	Webdell, C. W.	E.	Transfer	1923
115	Johnson, A. C.	E.	Transfer	1923
116	Waits, H. P.	E.	Transfer	1923
117	Baxter, J. A.	E.	Transfer	1923
118	Duncan, W. R.	E.	Transfer	1923
119	Wells, Frank L.	E.	Transfer	1923
120	Gayle, A. C.	E.	Transfer	1923
121	Clark, Elmer T.	E.	Re-adm.	1923

CHRONOLOGICAL ROLL—PREACHERS ON TRIAL

Number	Name	Class	Admitted
1	Reid, James Carroll	Second Year	1912
2	Ellis, John Emory	Second Year	1917
3	Stone, Harvey Eli	First Year	1918
4	Blunt, Robert Jason	Second Year	1921
5	Farmer, Eugene H.	First Year	1922
6	Schubel, Burnell L.	Second Year	1922
7	Robinson, G. Kelly	Second Year	1922
8	Love, Francis M.	Second Year	1922
9	Cannaday, Daniel Elijah	Second Year	1922
10	Middlebrooks, Acton E.	Second Year	1922
11	Bates, James F. E.	First Year	1923
12	Stattler, Fred J.	First Year	1923
13	Buckley, Nat T.	First Year	1923
14	Cook, Francis P.	First Year	1923
15	Gaines, Calvin N.	First Year	1923
16	Carpenter, Rufus E.	First Year	1923
17	Burton, Charles M.	First Year	1923
18	Brower, Herbert H.	First Year	1923
19	Willis, Jesse J.	First Year	1923
20	Bertram, John A.	First Year	1923

LAY DELEGATES

Those marked (a) were absent; those marked (a-p) were absent at first roll call, but came in later.

Cape Girardeau District: O. T. Dalton (a), R. G. Applegate (a-p), J. M. Haw (a-p), A. J. Rushing, Jr. (a-p), Emil Steck (a), Rush Limbaugh (a-p), Mrs. Lou Hutton (a), Mrs. Emma Ranney.

Farmington District: G. W. Howells (a), J. L. Wood (a), R. C. Tucker, Mrs. O. H. Duggins (a), C. L. Whitener (a-p), C. E. Burton (a), Mrs. Ruth Barnes, M. M. Thurman. (A. E. Middlebrooks substituted in place of M. M. Thurman.)

Poplar Bluff District: Mrs. Minnie Sigler, R. J. Smith (a-p), M. M. Jones (a), G. G. Bowen, T. J. Bailey (a), C. F. Meentemeyer, Dr. E. G. Cope (a-p), P. A. Price (a-p).

St. Louis District: Hugh Lassiter (a), A. E. Whitaker (a), Louis Boeger (a-p), W. P. Mason, Dr. J. I. Chappell, Thomas Mellow (a-p), Mrs. William Court (a), H. L. McNail (a). (Mrs. J. E. Godbey substituted in place of Mrs. William Court.)

West Plains District: W. A. Ruggles (a-p), J. E. Hull (a-p), Walter Webb (a-p), Mrs. T. E. King (a), C. W. Hewitt, Mrs. L. A. Evans (a), Mrs. G. C. Plummer, A. J. (a-p).

CONFERENCE DIRECTORY

Alphabetical Roll of Members of the Conference, Including Preachers on Trial

Number	*Name*	*Address*	*Appointment*
1	Baker, C. R.	Bourbon	Bourbon Ct.
2	Baldridge, A. S. J.	Fredericktown	Dist. Supt., Anti-Saloon League
3	Banta, F. J.	Holcomb	Holcomb Ct.
4	Barham, C. J.	Piedmont	Dist. Supt., Children Home Society
5	Bates, J. F. E.	Bertrand	Bertrand
6	Baxter, J. A.	Cape Girardeau	Maple Ave.
7	Berry, C. C.	Valley Park	Superannuated
8	Bertram, J. A.	St. Clair	St. Clair
9	Bess, T. L.	Doniphan	Doniphan
10	Biffle, S. C.	Bismarck	Superannuated
11	Blaese, M. M.	East Prairie	Superannuated
12	Blunt, R. J.	Portageville	Portageville Ct.
13	Bowers, O. A.	2111 McCausland, St. Louis	Immanuel
14	Bradley, J. M.	1101 South Eighth, St. Louis	Kingdom House
15	Bradsher, I. C.	Salem	Salem
16	Broadhead, J. N.	Farmington	Pres. Eld., Farmington Dist.
17	Brower, H. H.	Birch Tree	Birch Tree Ct.
18	Brown, J. A.	Elvins	Elvins
19	Brown, W. E.	West Plains	Pres. Eld., West Plains Dist.
20	Buckley, Nat T.	Commerce	Commerce
21	Bullington, J. R.	St. Louis	Industrial Sec'y, Church Federation
22	Burton, C. M.	Summerville	Summerville Ct.
23	Burton, Clarence	Kennett	Kennett
24	Cameron, G. E.	Lafayette and Missouri, St. Louis	Lafayette Park
25	Cannaday, D. E.	Morley	Morley
26	Carpenter, R. C.	Glencoe	Superannuated
27	Carpenter, R. E.	Bloomfield	Bloomfield Ct.
28	Clark, Elmer T.	Nashville, Tenn.	Publicity Sec'y, Centenary
29	Cook, F. P.	East Prairie	East Prairie and Anniston
30	Crowe, Fletcher S.	2801 Union, St. Louis	Arlington
31	Crowe, H. P.	Poplar Bluff	Pres. Eld., Poplar Bluff Dist.
32	Culbertson, A. B.	Hayti	Hayti
33	Cunningham, W. H.	Campbell	Superannuated
34	Davis, D. R.	Eureka	Eureka and Crescent
35	Dennis, C. L.	Cape Girardeau	Dist. Supt., Children Home Society
36	Doherty, J. D.	Marquand	Marquand Ct.
37	Dohn, C. J.	Clayton	Clayton
38	Donnan, W. Q.	3505 Gravois, St. Louis	Superannuated
39	Doss, H. W.	Morehouse	Morehouse
40	Duckworth, R. L.	Cape Girardeau	Exec. Sec'y, S. S. Board
41	Duggins, O. H.	6436 Vermont, St. Louis	Haven Street
42	Duncan, J. W.	Bloomfield	Bloomfield
43	Duncan, W. R.	Couch	Couch Ct.
44	Eaker, Fred	Valley Park	Valley Park
45	Eaker, Linus	Desloge	Farmington Ct.
46	Ellis, John E.	Hematite	Hematite Ct.
47	Ensor, J. O.	Shaw and Tower Grove, St. Louis	Shaw Avenue
48	Evitts, J. T.	Bonne Terre	Bonne Terre
49	Farmer, E. H.		Missionary to Africa
50	Fesler, C. C.	1217 Victor St., St. Louis	Marvin Memorial
51	Foard, R. E.	Neosho and Morganford, St. Louis	Christy Mem.

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52	Fulton, J. W.	Senath	Senath
53	Gaines, C. N.	Steele	Steele
54	Gayle, A. C.	Evanston, Ill.	Student, Northwestern Univ.
55	George, R. C.	3676 Cook, St. Louis	Scrugg—First
56	Givan, Smith	Williamsville.	Williamsville and Greenville
57	Godbey, A. H.	Carrsville, Ky.	Superannuated
58	Godbey, J. E.	Kirkwood	Superannuated
59	Grampp, F. W.	New Haven	New Haven
60	Holtom, A. B.	Hornersville	Hornersville
61	Ham, J. W.	Bismarck	Bismarck and Hickory Grove
62	Hansford, W. H.	Advance	Advance
63	Haw, J. L.	2500 Hodiamont, St. Louis	Mt. Auburn
64	Henry, N. B.	Arcadia	Arcadia
65	Heys, W. J.	Wellston, Box 484	Stephan Memorial
66	Holt, Ivan Lee	5000 Washington, St. Louis	St. John
67	Humphreys, W. A.	New Madrid	New Madrid
68	Jenkins, L. R.	Charleston	Charleston
69	Johnson, A. C.	Cape Girardeau	Pres. Eld., Cape Girardeau Dist.
70	Johnson, H. H.	Kirkwood	Kirkwood
71	Jones, J. H.	Alton	Alton Ct.
72	Kasey, P. A.	Jackson	Jackson
73	Kazee, D. B.	Ellington	Ellington Ct.
74	Kennedy, R. D.	Labadie	Labadie and Gray's Summit
75	Kimbrell, R. B.	939 Laurel, St. Louis	Cabanne
76	Kincaide, J. R.	Oak Ridge	Oak Ridge Ct.
77	King, J. M.	Colorado Springs, Colo.	Superannuated
78	King, W. L.	Birch Tree	Superannuated
79	Kirkendoll, C. P.	Dexter	Dexter
80	Ledbetter, R. E.	Clayton, R. 2	Vinita Park
81	Lord, Thomas	Washington	Washington
82	Love, F. M.	Piedmont	Piedmont and Coldwater
83	Marlin, Lloyd	Caruthersville	Caruthersville
84	Mather, Arthur	Ferguson	Ferguson
85	Mather, Thos. B.	Sikeston	Sikeston
86	Mayfield, F. M.	Essex	Essex
87	McCann, Z. T.	Salem	Superannuated
88	McCarthy, John	MacLaren Station, St. Louis Co.	Bellefontaine
89	McDaniel, J. C.	Desloge	Desloge
90	McGehee, C. D.	St. Louis	
91	McMurry, W. F.	Louisville, Ky.	Bishop
92	Myers, M. A.	Gideon	Gideon
93	Middlebrooks, A. E.	Fredericktown	Prof., Marvin College
94	Montgomery, J. C.	West Plains	West Plains
95	Murphy, L. E.	Columbia	Student Sec'y, State U.
96	Newsome, J. S.	Wyatt	Wyatt
97	Nichol, L. D.	Fornfelt	Fornfelt
98	Orear, E. H.	3919 Wyoming, St. Louis	Grand Avenue
99	Paschal, W. H.	Birch Tree	Superannuated
100	Peterson, T. G.	Benton	Benton
101	Reid, J. C.	Leadwood	Leadwood
102	Ricketts, J. T.	Malden	Malden
103	Rinkel, E. J.	Alva, Fla.	Superannuated
104	Robinson, A. M.	Irondale	Superannuated
105	Robinson, S. M.	Wagoner Pl. and Lucky St., St. Louis	Wagoner Pl.
106	Robinson, G. K.	Des Arc	Ironton and Des Arc
107	Russell, R. L.	Nashville, Tenn.	Missionary Secretary
108	Ryan, H. E.	Festus	Festus

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109	Schubel, B. L.	Dallas, Tex.	Student, Southern Methodist Univ.
110	Self, J. T.	Senath	Senath
111	Sherman, G. B.	Clarkton	Clarkton Ct.
112	Smith, Alfred F.	Nashville, Tenn.	Editor, Christian Advocate
113	Smith, R. L.	Illmo	Illmo
114	Smith, T. E.	Fredericktown	Fredericktown
115	Spann, J. R.	Cape Girardeau	Centenary
116	Stattler, F. J.	Cape Girardeau	Third Church
117	Stewart, Wm.	Flat River	Flat River
118	Stickney, F. D.	Bellview	Bellview Ct.
119	Stone, H. E.	St. James	St. James
120	Sullens, W. E.	6683 Washington, St. Louis	University City
121	Tadlock, C. W.	1611 Pine, St. Louis	Centenary
122	Talley, W. F.	Fredericktown	Superannuated
123	Taylor, H. L.	Campbell	Campbell
124	Thogmorton, C. P.	Farmington	Farmington
125	Thogmorton, P. G.	Poplar Bluff	Poplar Bluff
126	Todd, L. E.	Security Bldg., St. Louis	Sec'y, Board of Finance
127	Tussey, J. D.	2718a Greer, St. Louis	St. Paul
128	Tyler, W. S.	La Grange, Ill.	Superannuated
129	Vaughan, J. R. A.	Cape Girardeau	Superannuated
130	Velvick, W. J.	De Soto	De Soto
131	Wainwright, S. H.	No. 8, Tsukiji, Tokio	Missionary to Japan
132	Waits, H. P.	Thayer	Thayer
133	Walker, Geo.	Potosi	Potosi Ct.
134	Walton, Reuben	Fredericktown	Superannuated
135	Wasson, D. R.	Herculaneum	Herculaneum
136	Webdell, C. W.	St. Louis	Chaplain, Barnes Hospital
137	Wells, F. L.	Security Bldg., St. Louis	Pres. Eld., St. Louis Dist.
138	Willis, J. J.	Bourbon	Junior Preacher, Bourbon Ct.
139	Wood, J. A.	Lutesville	Lutesville and Glen Allen
140	Worsnop, J. W.	5979 Plymouth, St. Louis	Dist. Supt. Chil. H. Soc.
141	Wright, B. L.	Oran	Oran

LOCAL PREACHERS SERVING AS SUPPLIES

Number	Name	Address	Appointment
1	Andrews, Fred	Red Bird	Red Bird Ct.
2	Andrews, H. M.	Whitewater	Whitewater Ct.
3	Batten, J. L.	Bell City	Bell City Ct.
4	Bone, C. C.	Charleston, R. F. D.	Bridges and New Prospect
5	Brooks, G. M.	Chaonia	Chaonia Ct.
6	Burris, A. N.	Bernie	Bernie
7	Craig, J. G.	Perryville, R. F. D.	York Chapel
8	Edmondson, W. M.	Cardwell	Cardwell
9	Eudaley, J. D.	Neelyville	Naylor and Neelyville
10	Finlay, J. L.	Sedgewickville	Sedgewickville Ct.
11	Gaston, W. V.	Anutt	Anutt Ct.
12	Harris, C. E.	Portageville	Portageville Ct.
13	Hewitt, C. D.	Manchester	Manchester and Bethel
14	Hill, J. A.	Parma	Parma
15	Hutton, A.	Doniphan	Doniphan Ct.
16	Johnston, S. S.	Vanduser	Vanduser and Richwoods
17	Locke, Earl	Fredericktown	Fredericktown Ct.

Number	*Name*	*Address*	*Appointment*
18	McDonald, J. P.	Jackson	Jackson Ct.
19	McKenzie, W. C.	Lowndes	Lowndes and Liberty
20	Margraves, D. M.	Chaffee	Chaffee
21	Mills, J. H.	Zalma	Zalma Ct.
22	Myers, L. M.	Plattin	Plattin Ct.
23	Ralph, T. P.	Marble Hill	Marble Hill Ct.
24	Russell, A. W.	Lilbourn	Lilbourn Ct.
25	Selby, A. W.	West Plains	West Plains Ct.
26	Scamahorn, J. A.	Deering	Deering
27	Smotherman, M. P.	Van Buren	Van Buren Ct.
28	Stafford, L. W.	Cooter	Cooter Ct.
29	Stewart, H. G.	Grandin	Grandin Ct.
30	Thomasson, C. D.	Esther	Esther
31	Wheary, John	Licking	Licking Ct.
32	Willard, J. M.	Cabool	Cabool Ct.
33	Wilmore, W. A.	Poplar Bluff	Poplar Bluff Ct.
34	Wolverton, J. L.	Bragg City	Bragg City Ct.

LOCAL PREACHERS NOT SERVING AS SUPPLIES

No.	Name	Address	District	Quarterly Conference
1	Allbright, Chas.	Fredericktown	Farmington	Fredericktown
2	Ballard, T. H.	Cooter	Poplar Bluff	Cooter Ct.
3	Barger, F. S.	Rombauer	Poplar Bluff	Poplar Bluff Ct.
4	Barks, W. C.	Advance	Cape Girardeau	Advance
5	Bates, A. B.	Stanton	West Plains	St. Clair
6	Bockman, J. W.	Winona	West Plains	Birch Tree
7	Boreson, J. G.	St. Louis	St. Louis	Centenary
8	Boutwell, W. M.	Oran	Cape Girardeau	Oran
9	Brawley, C. D.	Freemont	West Plains	Van Buren Ct.
10	Broadhacker, J. L.	Portageville	Cape Girardeau	Portageville
11	Brown, George	Alton	West Plains	Alton
12	Bynum, B. W.	Bellview	Farmington	Bellview
13	Carradine, B.	Chicago, Ill.	St. Louis	Scruggs
14	Carty, J. J.	Simmons	West Plains	Cabool
15	Chasteen, N. C.	Bloomfield	Poplar Bluff	Bloomfield
16	Castlen, D. M.	Glendale, Cal.	St. Louis	Arlington
17	Clark, J. D.	Campbell	Poplar Bluff	Campbell
18	Clayton, M. A.	Hinch	West Plains	Bourbon Ct.
19	Cooper, J. R.	Winona	West Plains	Birch Tree Ct.
20	Copeland, H. E.	St. Louis	St. Louis	Centenary
21	Degonia, T. P.	Bonne Terre	Farmington	Bonne Terre
22	Doran, H. J.	Holland	Poplar Bluff	Steel
23	Douglas, A. B.	Holcomb	Poplar Bluff	Holcomb Ct.
24	Elliott, A. R.	St. Louis	St. Louis	Shaw Avenue
25	Ewing, J. A.	Lilbourn	Cape Girardeau	Lilbourn Ct.
26	Fielding, B. F.	Cabool	West Plains	Cabool Ct.
27	Finley, T. M.	Caledonia	Farmington	Caledonia
28	Forsythe, W. E.	Essex	Poplar Bluff	Essex
29	Fulkerson, Milo	Sedgewickville	Farmington	Sedgewickville Ct.
30	Galloway, W. C.	West Plains	West Plains	West Plains
31	Griffey, G. A.	Grays Ridge	Poplar Bluff	Bernie
32	Green, Bryan	Blodget	Cape Girardeau	Blodget
33	Hatcher, J. W.	Malden	Poplar Bluff	Malden
34	Hearn, F. A.	Lilbourn	Cape Girardeau	Lilbourn Ct.
35	Hendrix, John	Couch	West Plains	Couch Ct.
36	Hicks, C. M.	St. Louis	St. Louis	Wagoner Place
37	Hinchey, Luther	Lilbourn	Cape Girardeau	Lilbourn Ct.
38	Holland, F. J.	Portageville	Cape Girardeau	Portageville
39	Howard, A. P.	Kennett	Poplar Bluff	Kennett
40	Hoy, W. R.	Flat River	Farmington	Flat River
41	Huckstep, J. W.	Potosi	Farmington	Potosi Ct.
42	Hull, L.	Marquand	Farmington	Marquand
43	Jackson, T. M.	Desloge	Farmington	Desloge
44	Jones, C. J. W.	Malden	Poplar Bluff	Malden
45	Keith, P. D.	Doniphan	Poplar Bluff	Doniphan

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46	Kirby, F. A	Diehlstadt	Cape Girardeau	Charleston Ct.
47	Krieger, M. W	St. Louis	St. Louis	St. John
48	Linn, L. F	St. Louis	St. Louis	St. John
49	Lynch, Gaines	Charleston	Cape Girardeau	Charleston
50	McKenie, J. W	Doniphan	Poplar Bluff	Doniphan
51	McKinney, J. W	Arcadia	Farmington	Arcadia
52	McPheeters, W. G	Poplar Bluff	Poplar Bluff	Poplar Bluff
53	Maddox, J. D	Commerce	Cape Girardeau	Commerce
54	Mason, E. E	Leadwood	Farmington	Leadwood
55	Nieswonger, Oscar	Patton	Farmington	Fredericktown Ct.
56	Oliver, J. W	Senath	Poplar Bluff	Senath
57	Owen, G. A	Hartzell	Poplar Bluff	
58	Ownby, G. W	Greenville	West Plains	Williamsville and Greenville
59	Ownby, R. M	Kennett	Poplar Bluff	Kennett
60	Peacocke, C. S	St. Louis	St. Louis	St. John
61	Penrose, Fred	Flat River	Farmington	Flat River
62	Rose, Pleasant	Anniston	Cape Girardeau	East Prairie and Anniston
63	Russell, A. H	Leasburg	West Plains	Bourbon Ct.
64	Schlagenhauf, M	St. Louis	St. Louis	Lafayette Park
65	Smith, H. A	St. Louis	St. Louis	Mt. Auburn
66	Smith, L. E	Gideon	Poplar Bluff	Gideon
67	Stafford, W. A	Caruthersville	Poplar Bluff	Caruthersville
68	Stanfield, C. J	Arbyrd	Poplar Bluff	Bragg City, Ct.
69	Steele, W. B	St. Louis	St. Louis	Immanuel
70	Surface, S. S	Sikeston	Cape Girardeau	Sikeston
71	Thompson, T. D	Grandin	West Plains	Grandin Ct.
72	Voelker, L. F	Flat River	Farmington	Flat River
73	Wallace, J. E	Jackson	Cape Girardeau	Jackson
74	Welker, Ira E	Advance	Cape Girardeau	Advance
75	Welker, J. M	Advance	Cape Girardeau	Advance
76	Wood, B. S	St. Louis	St. Louis	Immanuel
77	Wood, J. L	Caledonia	Farmington	Caledonia
78	Yeager. Judd	Fredericktown	Poplar Bluff	Dexter

DECEASED PREACHERS

Name	Nativity	Birth	Died	Join Conf.	Yrs. Serv.	Buried
John Glanville	England		1847	1821	22	St. Louis Co.
S. W. McConnell			1847	1843	4	
Jesse Greene	E. Tennessee	Nov. 22, 1791	Apr. 18, 1847	1817	25	Lexington
D. S. Capell			1852	1830	11	On the Plain
Cullen Penny			1852	1848	4	Cape Girardeau
Elijah Perkins	W. Virginia		1853	1828	28	Ebenezer
John K. Lacy	Kentucky		1855	1827	23	Pilot Grove
B. F. Gregory			1855	1852	2	Dunklin Co.
T. H. Smith	Buncomb Co., N. C	May 15, 1818	Oct. 29, 1857	1851	6	
J. W. Hawkins	Gibson Co., Ind	Dec. 3, 1826	Nov. 12, 1858	1849	9	Arkansas
M. E. Paul			1858	1852	6	
Thomas James	Madison Co., Tenn	Oct. 9, 1832	1858	1852	5	Ebenezer
John I. Read			1859	1849	7	
J. H. Cumming			1860	1855	5	Texas
Green Woods	Belleview, Mo	Feb. 27, 1814	1862	1836	26	Salem
Thomas Glanville	England		1863	1841	10	Dallas Co.
W. H. Mobley	Kentucky	1830	1865	1854	7	Kentucky
S. A. Blakey			1865	1859	6	
John McEwing			1866	1835	9	Versailes
H. E. Smith			1867	1853	12	Newton Co.
M. R. Anthony	Jackson Co., Ohio	Feb. 12, 1823	1868	1851	14	LaFayette Co.
W. A. Smith	Frederickburg, Va	Nov. 19, 1802	1869	1825	44	Virginia
Joseph Boyle	Baltimore, Md	May 7, 1812	1872	1834	26	St. Louis
Andrew Pease	Kentucky		1872	1828	22	St. Gen. Co.
Wm. Alexander			1872	1859	14	Cape G. Co.
John H. St. Clair	Virginia		Oct. 29, 1874	1869	4	St. Louis Co.
Wm. E. Stewart	Posey Co., Md	Dec. 10, 1853	Dec. 19, 1881	1880	1	Dexter
J. N. W. Springer	Fayette Co., Ky	Mar. 2, 1809	Oct. 17, 1879	1850	15	St. Louis
R. W. Swayne	Maryland		1880	1878	2	Miss. Co.
Wesley R. Craven	Randolph Co., N. C	Apr. 15, 1856	Aug. 4, 1881	1877	4	Crawford Co.
Francis A. Morris	Marietta, O	Sept. 3, 1817	Sept. 24, 1881	1845	37	St. Louis
Geo. M. Effinger	Virginia		Jan. 3, 1883	1875	6	Washington Co.

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Francis A. Owen	Brunswick Co., Va	Feb. 8, 1804	Mar. 16, 1883	1822	55	Nashville, Tenn.
Christian Eaker	N. Carolina		1884	1830	7	Bollinger Co.
James Carter	Tennessee		Feb. 12, 1884	1876	6	Hematite
John G. Wilson	Maury Co., Tenn	1826	Aug. 5, 1884	1876	7	St. Louis
Chas. F. Quelmalz	Dresden, Saxony	Sept. 24, 1823	July 23, 1886	1875	4	Doniphan
Winfield S. Truitt	Crittenden Co., Ky	1856	Jan. 22, 1887	1881	5	St. Louis
John A. Jenkins	Missouri	1850	Dec. 3, 1887	1880	7	Dunklin Co.
Henry S. Watts	Garrett Co., Ky	Oct. 22, 1810	1888	1850	32	St. Francois Co.
Wesley Browning	Maryland	Aug. 15, 1795	Nov. 6, 1888	1826	46	St. Louis
David F. Renfro	Franklin Co., Mo	1841	Apr. 16, 1891	1879	12	St. Clair
Wm. R. Babcock	Washington Co., N. C.	June 1, 1803	May 27, 1891	1848	13	Doniphan
J. R. Ledbetter	Marshall Co., Tenn	Nov. 22, 1834	Aug. 13, 1891	1872	19	Wayne Co.
Wm. H. Hogan	Portsmouth, Eng	Feb. 10, 1853	Aug. 15, 1892	1881	11	
Marcus Arrington	Wilkes Co., N. C	July 1, 1820	July 7, 1894	1844	34	Springfield
David R. McAnally	Grainger Co., Tenn	Feb. 17, 1810	July 11, 1895	1829	66	St. Louis
David J. Marquis		July 27, 1812	Aug. 23, 1895	1854	36	Hillsboro
Jacob H. Cox	Jefferson Co., Tenn	Nov. 27, 1818	Feb. 14, 1896	1858	27	Ripley Co.
John C. Williams	Tennessee	Jan. 20, 1819	Jan. 20, 1896	1854	40	Belleview
Joseph W. Lewis	Huntsville, Ala	Jan. 22, 1832	1897	1856	32	St. Louis
Lemuel M. Lee	Kentucky	Feb. 28, 1866	Apr. 15, 1898	1890	8	Charleston
John H. Headlee	Maury Co., Tenn	Nov. 13, 1820	Jan. 20, 1900	1841	47	Caledonia
Albert J. Green	East Tennessee	Oct. 30, 1852	June 20, 1900	1879	21	Fredericktown
John W. Robinson	Campbell Co., Va	Apr. 15, 1824	Sept. 22, 1900	1874	24	St. Louis
T. M. Finney	St. Louis, Mo	July 23, 1827	Oct. 1, 1900	1850	50	St. Louis
H. L. Jenkinson	Mississippi Co., Mo	Aug. 10, 1870	Aug. 30, 1902	1896	6	Festus
John F. Triplett	Rowan Co., N. C	Feb. 6, 1866	Sept. 26, 1904	1889	16	Ironton
H. B. Cockrill	Irvine, Ky	1858	Oct. 22, 1904	1903	1	St. Louis Co.
George W. Hull	New York	Oct. 25, 1836	Oct. 29, 1904	1900	4	Fredericktown
C. E. Devinney	Nashville, Tenn	Mar. 2, 1848	Apr. 21, 1906	1870	15	St. Louis
J. C. Berryman	Kentucky	Feb. 22, 1810	May 8, 1906	1828	78	Caledonia
John Dodwell	Worcester, Eng	Aug. 12, 1851	Apr. 28, 1907	1889	17	Bloomfield
Jasper C. Croft	Union Co., Ill	July 31, 1866	July 31, 1907	1898	5	Miss. Co.
Henry A. Smith	Westmoreland, Pa	Jan. 20, 1837	Nov. 1, 1909	1882	25	Poplar Bluff
Joseph J. Lovett	Clark Co., Miss	Jan. 21, 1857	1905	1904	5	Oklahoma
J. R. Eddlemon	Perry Co., Mo	Nov. 2, 1838	Sept. 8, 1909	1859	41	St. Louis
M. B. Chapman	Clinton, La	Oct. 22, 1846	July 2, 1910	1869	41	St. Joseph
W. P. Gibson	Taswell Co., Va	Dec. 5, 1825	Mar. 9, 1911	1867	25	Little Rock
W. C. Enochs	Carroll, Tenn	May 31, 1836	Oct. 26, 1910	1878	20	Wayne Co.
J. A. Russell	Davis Co., Tenn	Apr. 23, 1838	Apr. 18, 1911	1869	31	Lutesville
Sidney Richmond	Jackson Co., Tenn	May 13, 1837	Aug. 9, 1912	1876	36	Fredericktown
Ashley S. Coker	Carthage, Tenn	Nov. 13, 1846	Mar. 1, 1912	1893	19	Steelville
J. C. Denton	Maury Co., Tenn	Mar. 20, 1851	Nov. 13, 1912	1900	12	Malden
Josephus Stephan	Madison, Ind	Feb. 26, 1860	Jan. 29, 1913	1883	29	St. Louis
Arthur Trotter	Sikeston, Mo	Mar. 28, 1876	Dec. 15, 1913	1900	13	Scott Co.
L. F. Aspley	Gallatin, Tenn	Mar. 19, 1831	July 29, 1916	1895	21	Arcadia, La.
H. R. Singleton	Covington, La	Jan. 24, 1873	Mar. 22, 1916	1857	53	Arcadia
W. R. Mays	Caldwell Co., Mo	Apr. 5, 1843	Oct. 3, 1916	1878	32	St. Louis
Wm. Lowe	England	Dec. 8, 1842	May 1, 1918	1884	26	Crescent
James W. Lee	Rockbridge Co., Ga	Nov. 28, 1849	Oct. 4, 1919	1874	44	St. Louis
J. H. Early	Polk Co., Mo	Apr. 17, 1855	Nov. 16, 1919	1882	27	Nashville, Tenn.
Wm. Court	St. Louis, Mo	Apr. 28, 1869	Feb. 4, 1920	1900	19	St. Louis
T. W. Glass	Wayne Co., Mo	May 7, 1860	June 25, 1921	1886	29	Hornersville
J. T. Winstead	Clinton Co., Mo	Sept. 18, 1855	Feb. 9, 1921	1875	41	Perrin
John L. Steward	Butler Co., Mo	Dec. 20, 1874	May 28, 1921	1911	9	Piedmont
Arthur H. Barnes	Saline Co., Mo	Feb. 25, 1864	June 29, 1920	1891	30	St. Louis
Leslie H. Davis	Hampshire Co., Va	May 14, 1842	Jan. 14, 1922	1870	38	Arcadia, Mo.
Albert T. Tidwell	Madison Co., Miss	Oct. 7, 1845	Oct. 10, 1921	1873	18	St. Louis, Mo.
W. E. Judy	Olney, Ill	Feb. 11, 1871	Feb. 19, 1923			Hillsboro, Mo.
T. P. Hill	Henry Co., Tenn	Feb. 27, 1823				St. James, Mo.

CONFERENCE SESSIONS

No.	Place	Date	Bishop	Secretary
1	Boonville	1846	Robert Paine	W. W. Jones
2	Ebenezer Camp Ground	1847	Wm. Capers	W. W. Jones
3	St. Louis, 4th Street	1848	J. O. Andrew	W. W. Jones
4	Jefferson City	1849	Robert Paine	W. W. Jones
5	Independence	1850	H. B. Bascom	W. W. Jones
6	Boonville	1851	Joshua Soule	F. A. Morris

No.	Place	Date	Bishop	Secretary
7	Lexington	1852	Robert Paine	D. R. McAnnaly
8	St. Louis, Centenary	1853	J. O. Andrews	W. Prottsman
9	Jefferson City	1854	H. Kavanaugh	W. Prottsman
10	Springfield	1855	John Early	W. Prottsman
11	Charleston	1856	G. F. Pierce	W. Prottsman
12	Boonville	1857	J. O. Andrews	W. Prottsman
13	St. Louis	1858	G. F. Pierce	W. Prottsman
14	Independence	1859	Robert Paine	W. Prottsman
15	St. Louis, 1st Church	1860	H. Kavanaugh	W. Prottsman
16	Arrow Rock & Waverly	1861	D. A. Leeper	W. Prottsman
	No Session	1862		
	No Session	1863		
17	St. Louis, 1st Church	1864	H. Kavanaugh	W. Prottsman
18	St. Louis, Centenary	1865	H. Kavanaugh	W. Prottsman
19	Lexington	1866	D. S. Doggett	W. Prottsman
20	Kansas City	1867	E. M. Marvin	W. Prottsman
21	Jefferson City	1868	H. Kavanaugh	W. Prottsman
22	St. Louis, First Church	1869	G. F. Pierce	W. Prottsman
23	Boonville	1870	H. McTyeire	W. Prottsman
24	St. Louis, Centenary	1871	D. S. Doggett	L. M. Lewis
25	Arcadia	1872	G. F. Pierce	L. M. Lewis
26	Charleston	1873	W. M. Wightman	L. M. Lewis
27	Caledonia	1874	J. C. Keener	R. A. Hatcher
28	Salem	1875	J. C. Keener	W. M. Shelton
29	Washington	1876	H. N. McTyeire	W. M. Shelton
30	Centenary, St. Louis	1877	E. M. Marvin	W. M. Shelton
31	Charleston	1878	D. S. Doggett	W. M. Shelton
32	Fredericktown	1879	G. F. Pierce	W. M. Shelton
33	Salem	1880	J. C. Keener	W. M. Shelton
34	St. Louis, St. John's	1881	G. F. Pierce	W. M. Shelton
35	Farmington	1882	J. C. Granberry	H. Hainesworth
36	Poplar Bluff	1883	J. C. Granberry	H. Hainesworth
37	St. Louis, 1st Church	1884	R. K. Hargrove	H. Hainesworth
38	Charleston	1885	J. C. Granberry	H. Hainesworth
39	Piedmont	1886	H. N. McTyeire	H. Hainesworth
40	Fredericktown	1887	E. R. Hendrix	H. Hainesworth
41	Bonne Terre	1888	E. R. Hendrix	H. Hainesworth
42	Salem	1889	W. W. Duncan	H. Hainesworth
43	Poplar Bluff	1890	J. C. Keener	H. Hainesworth
44	Sikeston	1891	A. W. Wilson	H. Hainesworth
45	Kirkwood	1892	C. B. Galloway	H. Hainesworth
46	West Plains	1893	W. W. Duncan	H. Hainesworth
47	Fredericktown	1894	E. R. Hendrix	E. B. Chappell
48	Jackson	1895	C. B. Galloway	E. B. Chappell
49	Charleston	1896	A. W. Wilson	E. B. Chappell
50	Doniphan	1897	A. W. Wilson	E. B. Chappell
51	De Soto	1898	W. A. Candler	C. L. Smith
52	Bonne Terre	1899	J. C. Granberry	C. L. Smith
53	St. Louis, St. John's	1900	J. C. Granberry	Marvin T. Haw
54	Fredericktown	1901	W. A. Candler	Marvin T. Haw
55	Malden	1902	A. W. Wilson	Marvin T. Haw
56	Farmington	1903	C. B. Galloway	Marvin T. Haw
57	De Soto	1904	E. R. Hendrix	Marvin T. Haw
58	Caruthersville	1905	E. R. Hendrix	Marvin T. Haw
59	Poplar Bluff	1906	J. S. Key	Marvin T. Haw
60	West Plains	1907	J. S. Key	Marvin T. Haw
61	Charleston	1908	C. B. Galloway	Marvin T. Haw
62	Fredericktown	1909	W. A. Candler	Marvin T. Haw
63	Cape Girardeau	1910	Collins Denny	Marvin T. Haw
64	Kirkwood	1911	Collins Denny	Marvin T. Haw
65	Dexter	1912	Collins Denny	Marvin T. Haw
66	Jackson	1913	E. E. Hoss	Marvin T. Haw
67	Caruthersville	1914	E. R. Hendrix	Marvin T. Haw
68	Sikeston	1915	E. R. Hendrix	Marvin T. Haw
69	Cape Girardeau	1916	E. R. Hendrix	Marvin T. Haw
70	Fredericktown	1917	E. R. Hendrix	Marvin T. Haw
71	Charleston	1918	W. B. Murrah	Marvin T. Haw
72	St. Louis	1919	W. B. Murrah	Marvin T. Haw
73	Poplar Bluff	1920	W. B. Murrah	Marvin T. Haw
74	Kennett	1921	W. B. Murrah	Marvin T. Haw
75	Flat River	1922	W. F. McMurry	Marvin T. Haw
76	Sikeston	1923	W. F. McMurry	Clarence Burton

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FIRST DAY

SIKESTON, MO., October 3, 1923.

OPENING—The Seventy-sixth Session of the St. Louis Annual Conference convened in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Sikeston, Missouri, at nine a. m., Bishop W. F. McMurry, presiding.

After calling the session to order, the Bishop announced hymn two hundred twenty-two, "Jesus the Name High Over All." After repeating the Apostles' Creed in concert, Bishop McMurry led in prayer. The Conference was then led by Dr. A. F. Smith in reading responsively the twenty-seventh Psalm. J. R. A. Vaughan read the New Testament lesson. "There Is a Land of Pure Delight" was sung, followed by the observance of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The Bishop officiated, assisted by A. F. Smith, J. R. A. Vaughan, P. G. Thogmorton and J. D. Doherty.

ROLL CALL—In the absence of the Secretary of the last session, the roll was called by Clarence Burton, one of the Assistant Secretaries, and the following members responded to their names:

C. R. Baker, A. S. J. Baldridge, F. J. Banta, T. L. Bess, M. M. Blaese, O. A. Bowers, J. M. Bradley, I. C. Bradsher, J. N. Broadhead, J. A. Brown, W. E. Brown, J. R. Bullington, Clarence Burton, G. E. Cameron, R. C. Carpenter, F. S. Crowe, H. P. Crowe, D. R. Davis, C. L. Dennis, J. D. Doherty, C. J. Dohn, O. H. Duggins, J. W. Duncan, Fred Eaker, J. O. Ensor, J. T. Evitts, C. C. Fessler, R. E. Foard, J. W. Fulton, R. C. George, Smith Givan, J. E. Godbey, F. W. Grampp, J. W. Ham, W. H. Hansford, N. B. Henry, W. J. Heys, Ivan Lee Holt, W. D. Humphrey, W. A. Humphreys, H. H. Johnson, J. H. Jones, P. A. Kasey, D. B. Kazee, R. D. Kennedy, J. R. Kincaide, R. E. Ledbetter, Thomas Lord, Arthur Mather, T. B. Mather, F. M. Mayfield, Z. T. McCann, John McCarthy, J. C. McDaniel, W. F. McMurry, M. A. Myers, J. C. Montgomery, J. S. Newsome, L. D. Nichol, E. H. Orear, T. G. Peterson, J. T. Ricketts, A. M. Robinson, S. M. Robinson, R. L. Russell, H. E. Ryan, J. T. Self, G. B. Sherman, A. F. Smith, R. L. Smith, T. E. Smith, J. R. Spann, Wm. Stewart, F. D. Stickney, W. E. Sullens, C. W. Tadlock, H. L. Taylor, C. P. Thogmorton, P. G. Thogmorton, J. D. Tussey, J. R. A. Vaughan, W. J. Velvick, Geo. Walker, D. R. Wasson, Reuben Walton, J. A. Wood, J. W. Worsnop, B. L. Wright.

Probationers: J. C. Reid, J. E. Ellis, H. E. Stone, R. J. Blunt, G. K. Robinson, F. M. Love, D. E. Cannaday, R. T. Johnson, A. E. Middlebrooks,

Lay Delegates: Cape Girardeau District: A. J. Rushing, Jr., Rush Limbaugh. Farmington District: Mrs. Ruth Barnes. Poplar Bluff District: Mrs. Minnie Sigler, G. G. Bowen, C. F. Meentemeyer, P. A. Price. St. Louis District: Dr. J. I. Chappell, Thomas Mellow. West Plains District: W. A. Ruggles, Mrs. T. E. King, Mrs. G. C. Plummer.

At the call of the names of M. T. Haw and J. L. Haw, the announcement was made they were absent at the funeral of an aunt in Charleston, Missouri. L. R. Jenkins, the pastor at Charleston, was also absent for the same cause.

The announcement was made by the Bishop that L. E. Todd was absent in attendance on the Holston Conference, where he was scheduled to address that Conference today on the Superannuate Endowment Fund.

R. L. Duckworth was prevented from being present because of the critical illness of his son. The Bishop solicited the prayers of all the members of the Conference in behalf of Brother Duckworth and his family.

ORGANIZATION—Clarence Burton was elected Secretary of the Conference, and J. C. Montgomery and F. S. Crowe were elected assistant secretaries.

C. C. Fesler was elected Statistical Secretary and nominated as his assistants: J. A. Brown, F. M. Love, W. J. Heys, F. J. Banta, J. H. Jones, O. A. Bowers and R. E. Ledbetter, who were elected.

SEATING OF ALTERNATES—Farmington District: A. E. Middlebrooks, alternate, was seated in place of M. M. Thurman. St. Louis District: Mrs. J. E. Godbey, alternate, in place of Mrs. Wm. Court.

BAR—On motion of A. C. Johnson, the bar of the Conference was fixed in front of the main pillars of the church auditorium.

HOURS OF MEETING—On motion of A. C. Johnson, the hours of meeting and adjourning were fixed at 9 a. m. and 12 m.

BISHOP AINSWORTH—Bishop McMurry introduced Bishop W. N. Ainsworth to the Conference, who gave the first of a series of addresses to be delivered during the session of the Conference. He spoke on the subject, "God's Inheritance of His Redeemed Saints," from the text found in Ephesians 1:18, after which the Conference joined in singing "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing."

COMMUNICATIONS—Communications from the various interests of the Church were referred as follows:

Communications from the Publishing House, and from the General Board of Finance, referred to the Conference Board of Finance.

Communications from the Citizenship Conference, and from the General Board of Temperance and Social Service, referred to the Conference Board of Temperance and Social Service.

A communication from the General Board of Missions to the Conference Board of Missions.

A communication from the Board of Education, referred to the Conference Board of Education.

Communications from the General Hospital Board, the Trustees of Barnes Hospital, and the Chaplain of Barnes Hospital, referred to the Conference Hospital Board.

A communication from the General Board of Church Extension was received, and referred to the Conference Board of Church Extension.

A communication from Frederick Vierling, attorney, who had been serving as Acting Secretary of the Conference Board of Trustees, was read and referred to the Conference Board of Trustees.

QUESTION 9—*Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?*

The names of G. E. Cameron, an elder from the Kentucky Conference; W. E. Sullens, an elder from the Southwest Missouri Conference; A. C. Johnson, an elder from the Missouri Conference; and H. P. Waits, an elder from the North Alabama Conference, were called, and they were announced as transferred, and introduced to the Conference.

INTRODUCTIONS—W. G. Cram, Director General of the Centenary, P. H. Linn, President of Central College, and T. H. McNish, representative of Lamar and Barton, were presented to the Conference. P. H. Linn and T. H. McNish spoke briefly of the interests they represent. Announcement was made that W. G. Cram would address the Conference at a later hour.

EDUCATIONAL PLEDGES—Announcement was made that Dr. P. H. Linn, President of Central College, has been appointed as the collector of all undirected Educational pledges in the three Missouri Conferences.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS—The Committee on Nominations presented the following report which was adopted:

Admission on Trial: W. E. Sullens in place of R. P. Basler, transferred.
Public Worship: A. C. Johnson, T. B. Mather, R. G. Applegate.

Memoirs: N. B. Henry, H. L. Taylor, Linus Eaker, C. F. Meentemeyer, Thomas Mellow, C. W. Roquis.

Conference Relations: P. A. Kasey, J. R. Bullington, H. P. Waits, L. D. Nichol, J. W. Ham, H. H. Johnson, J. C. Montgomery.

District Conference Records: H. E. Ryan, J. A. Brown, R. E. Ledbetter, M. A. Myers, I. C. Bradsher.

Church Property: C. R. Baker, J. W. Duncan, A. J. Rushing, John Doherty, Mrs. G. C. Plummer, R. C. Tucker.

Board and Committee Meetings—On motion duly carried, the hours of meeting of all committees were fixed at 1:30 p. m., and of the Boards at 2:30 p. m.

Resignation—A. F. Smith, on account of being Editor of the *Christian Advocate,* submitted his resignation as Chairman of the Board of Christian Literature.

Committee on Nominations—The Committee on Nominations submitted Report No. 2:

Board of Hospitals: A. F. Smith, in place of C. N. Clark, transferred.

Board of Christian Literature: R. G. Applegate, in place of A. F. Smith.

Question 21.—*Are all the preachers blameless in life and official administration?*

The names of T. P. Hill and W. E. Judy were called. It was announced that they had died during the year, and their names were referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

The names of C. C. Berry, S. C. Biffle, M. M. Blaese, R. C. Carpenter, W. H. Cunningham and A. H. Godbey were called, one by one, their reports received, their characters passed, and the name of each was referred, by vote of the Conference to the Committee on Conference Relations, for the Superannuate relation.

The name of W. Q. Donnan was called, his character passed and his name referred to the Committee on Conference Relation for the supernumerary relation.

Closing—The announcements were made, and after timely remarks by the Bishop, the Doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by J. R. A. Vaughan.

SECOND DAY

Sikeston, Mo., October 4, 1923.

Opening—The Conference reassembled at nine o'clock, a. m.,

Bishop McMurry in the chair. The Conference joined in singing hymn two hundred ninety-one, "There Is a Fountain Filled With Blood," followed by the recital of the Apostles' Creed. Prayer was offered by J. D. Doherty. The Bishop led the Conference in the responsive reading of the first Psalm.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

ROLL CALL—The roll of the absentees was called and the following answered to their names:

C. J. Barham, A. B. Culbertson, R. L. Duckworth, J. L. Haw, M. T. Haw, W. L. King, C. P. Kirkendoll, W. H. Paschal, J. B. Wilburn, H. W. Doss.

Lay Delegates: Cape Girardeau District: Mrs. Emma Ranney. Farmington District: R. C. Tucker, C. L. Whitener. Poplar Bluff District: R. J. Smith, Dr. E. G. Cope. St. Louis District: W. P. Mason. West Plains District: Walter Webb, A. J. Frank.

SEATING OF ALTERNATES—Poplar Bluff District: C. M. Margraves in place of N. M. Jones.

St. Louis District: George W. Hall in place of H. L. McNail.

On motion of M. T. Haw, it was ordered that the Conference dispense with the roll call during the remainder of the session.

BISHOP AINSWORTH—Bishop McMurry presented Bishop Ainsworth, who delivered the second of a series of addresses on the theme, "The Living Presence of God." "O For a Closer Walk With God" was sung, during which a wave of spiritual fervor swept over the Conference; and, while singing "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," all moved forward to the altar to shake hands with Bishop Ainsworth and Bishop McMurry.

INTRODUCTIONS—The following visiting brethren were called forward by the Bishop and presented to the Conference:

C. O. Ransford, Editor of the St. Louis Christian Advocate.

J. D. Randolph, Executive Secretary of the Methodist Foundation, Columbia, Missouri.

J. M. Bone, Presiding Elder of the Richmond District of the Missouri Conference.

G. L. Morelock, General Secretary of the Board of Lay Activity.

L. F. Sensebaugh, Secretary of Teacher Training of the General Sunday School Board.

C. C. Jarrell, General Secretary of the Hospital Board.

Stonewall Anderson, General Secretary of the Board of Education.

C. W. Webdell, Pastor of First Church, Memphis, Tenn.

Paul W. Kern, Dean of the Theological Department of the Southern Methodist University.

W. W. Armstrong, Presiding Elder of the Dyersburg District, Memphis Conference.

T. G. Lowry, A. W. Lassiter, pastors in the Memphis Conference, and W. G. Garriott of the Illinois Conference.

Robert Lear, General Evangelist of the Louisville Conference.

COMMUNICATION—A communication was read from Hugh Lassiter, Lay Delegate from the St. Louis District, explaining his first absence from a session of the Annual Conference, necessary on account of the serious illness of his wife.

QUESTION 21—*Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

The names of J. M. King, W. L. King, Z. T. McCann, J. E. Godbey, W. H. Paschal, E. J. Rinkel, A. M. Robinson, W. F. Talley, W. S. Tyler and J. R. A. Vaughan were called, one by one, their reports received, their characters passed, and the name of each was referred, by vote of the Conference, to the Committee on Conference Relations, for the Superannuate relation.

EDUCATIONAL INTERESTS—Stonewall Anderson, General Secretary of the Board of Education, was presented by the Bishop, and addressed the Conference on the Educational situation.

Bishop McMurry spoke on the necessity and importance of the collection of the Educational pledges.

EXTENSION OF TIME—On motion of H. P. Crowe, the time of adjournment of the morning session was extended until the item of business before the Conference was completed.

Dr. Paul B. Kern, dean of the Theological Department of Southern Methodist University, was presented to the Conference, and he reported briefly of the progress being made in that University.

MARVIN COLLEGE—The Life Service Band of Volunteers in attendance at Marvin College, who were present at the Conference, formed a procession in double column and marched through the auditorium to the choir seats, singing "Onward, Christian Soldiers." After being seated, Mrs. Ruth Barnes, President of the College, was presented to the Con-

ference, and after brief remarks, introduced Harold Brand, Irene Tucker and H. M. Fikes, members of the Life Service Band, who spoke briefly, after which Mrs. Barnes reported the progress made during the past year, in the work that is being carried on at Marvin.

Ivan Lee Holt, in behalf of the Pesident of the Board of Education, presented some facts to the Conference, and moved that the special assessment of $10,000 for Marvin College be continued for another year. The motion was duly seconded, and spoken to by M. T. Haw and N. B. Henry. By a unanimous vote the assessment was continued.

Communication—A communication from the National Committee of Minute Men was received and referred to the Board of Temperance and Social Service.

Leave of Absence—At his request, W. J. Heys was granted leave of absence in order to conduct the funeral of a member of his church.

Closing—After various announcements were made, the Doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by Paul W. Kern.

THIRD DAY

Sikeston, Mo., October 5, 1923.

Opening—Bishop McMurry presiding, the Conference was called to order at nine a. m., and hymn number four hundred ninety-three, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross," was sung. The Conference joined in reciting the Apostles' Creed. O. H. Duggins led in prayer. Psalm forty-six was read responsively, led by the Bishop.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The presence of L. E. Todd was noted, he having been absent during the earlier sessions on business connected with the Board of Finance.

Seating of Delegates—The following Lay Delegates were noted present: Cape Girardeau, District, J. M. Haw; St. Louis District, Louis Boeger; West Plains District, J. E. Hull.

Bishop Ainsworth—Bishop Ainsworth was presented and addressed the Conference on the theme, "Meat to Eat the World Knows Not of." "I Am Bound for the Promised Land" was sung.

Collection—Bishop McMurry stated to the Conference that Bishop Ainsworth had agreed to come and deliver the series of addresses without any agreement regarding expenses or compensation; and at

Bishop McMurry's suggestion an offering was taken, amounting to $110.70.

INTRODUCTIONS—The following were introduced to the Conference:

J. M. Harrison, J. A. Anderson, J. B. Evans, C. C. Burton, A. B. Holtom of the North Arkansas Conference.

C. C. Stahman, Superintendent of the Children's Home Society.

H. E. Copeland, local preacher of the St. Louis District.

QUESTION 21—*Are all the preachers blameless in life and official administration.*

The name of Reuben Walton was called, his work reported, his character passed, and by vote of the Conference, his name was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Superannuate relation.

MEMOIR—On motion of N. B. Henry the name of J. N. Sitton, local preacher for many years in this Conference, was referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

On motion of O. H. Duggins, the name of Frank W. Brickey, layman, of Festus, for thirty-five years Sunday School superintendent, was referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

On motion of N. B. Henry, the memoir of Senator Geo. T. Lee, omitted from the minutes of the last session, was ordered published in the minutes of this session.

QUESTION 21—*Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

The names of J. C. Reid and J. E. Ellis were called, their characters passed, their work reported, but not having completed their course of study, they were continued in the class of the second year.

QUESTION 4—*Who else is in the class of the second year?*

J. C. Reid and J. E. Ellis.

QUESTION 9—*Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?*

A. B. Holtom, an elder from the North Arkansas Conference.

C. Wesley Webdell, an elder from the Memphis Conference.

CHAPLAIN OF BARNES HOSPITAL—Announcement was made by the Bishop that C. W. Webdell had been elected by the trustees, and appointed by the Bishop, as Chaplain of Barnes Hospital.

HOSPITAL BOARD—The report of the Hospital Board was presented by A. B. Culbertson. The report follows:

Your Hospital Board begs to report that it has received and carefully considered the communications which were referred to it, viz: the communication from Dr. Charles C. Jarrell, Secretary of the General Hospital Board, a communication from the Trustees of Barnes Hospital, and a report from the Chaplain of Barnes Hospital.

Information concerning the four hospitals already in operation, viz: Barnes Hospital of St. Louis, Mo., Wesley Memorial of Atlanta, Ga., Methodist Hospital of Memphis, Tenn., and Methodist Hospital at Hattiesburg, Miss., is of a most encouraging nature. Each of these hospitals furnishes merit of interest and strong appeal. Hospitals projected but not yet in operation are, Montgomery Memorial, Dallas Sanitarium, one at Houston, and another at Fort Worth.

The Golden Cross Society inaugurated by the General Hospital Board, under the direction of our last General Conference gives promise, not simply of gathering funds for the purpose of building, equipping and sustaining hospitals, but also of cultivating the fundamental Christian idea embodied in our great Hospital Movement. Our Lord commissioned us to "heal the sick."

We rejoice to know that this belated task and duty of the Church to the bodies of men is now being worked in a serious manner. If our pastors will mention in their public prayers, and also in their pastoral visitations, this Golden Cross Movement, it will serve to advance the cause.

We recommend an allotment for membership in the Golden Cross, and that the number be equal to twenty-five per cent of the entire membership of our church in the bounds of the St. Louis Conference. All moneys raised through the Golden Cross Membership is to be sent directly to the Secretary of the General Hospital Board, C. C. Jarrell, of Atlanta, Ga., who will forward eighty per cent of said money to the Chaplain of Barnes Hospital to disburse among the sick poor.

A communication from the Trustees of Barnes Hospital brings information of extensive and unsurpassed service. A total of 4095 patients were admitted during the fiscal year. The Chaplain, Dr. A. F. Smith, made during the year bedside visits of more than two thousand per month. The religious life of the nurses has been given attention. There are several Life Service Volunteers taking the Nurses' Training Course, a few of these have offered themselves for Foreign Missionary work. It is hoped that from the bounds of the three Conferences in Missouri may come many more young women to take the nurses' training at Barnes Hospital which is given without cost to the student.

More than $100,000 in wills have come to the Hospital this Conference year. Recognizing the great importance of continuing the Chaplain's services and of keeping the Church through him in constant touch with Barnes Hospital, we hereby request that the assessment of $3,500

for the Chaplain's support be continued, and direct that the Commission on Budget place it among other assessments for apportionment.

We recommend the appointment of Dr. C. W. Webdell as Chaplain of Barnes Hospital, and also, that he be appointed Golden Cross Director for the St. Louis Conference.

We request that pastors do not recommend for ward beds patients who are able to pay a physician's fee.

A. F. Smith, *President,*
A. B. Culbertson, *Secretary.*

A. F. Smith, retiring Chaplain of Barnes Hospital, elected Editor of the Christian Advocate, spoke to the report, and his address was received with high appreciation.

The report of the Hospital Board was adopted.

Extension of Time—On motion of R. L. Russell, the time for adjournment of the morning session was extended to permit the consideration of the Superannuate Endowment Campaign.

Superannuate Endowment Fund—L. E. Todd, and Bishop Ainsworth were invited to the rostrum, and they addressed the Conference in the interest of the Superannuate Endowment Fund. Both of these addresses were received with delight.

Committee on Nominations—The Committee on Nominations presented Report No. 3, nominating the following Bible Board: H. L. Taylor, Smith Givan, B. L. Wright, R. E. Ledbetter, C. J. Barham. The report was adopted.

Closing—After various announcements, the benediction was pronounced by Bishop Ainsworth.

FOURTH DAY

Sikeston, Mo., October 6, 1923.

Opening—The Conference was called to order at nine a. m., Bishop McMurry in the chair. Hymn two hundred and eight, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord," was sung, and the Conference joined in reciting the Apostles' Creed. John McCarthy led in prayer.

Psalm one hundred and three was read responsively, followed by the singing of the Gloria Patri.

The Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

QUESTION 1—*Who are admitted on trial?*

Cape Girardeau District: James F. E. Bates, Fred J. Stattler, Nat T. Buckley; Farmington District: Francis P. Cook; Poplar Bluff District: Calvin N. Gaines and Rufus E. Carpenter; St. Louis District: Charles M. Burton; West Plains District: Herbert H. Brower, Jesse J. Willis and John A. Bertram.

RESTORING CREDENTIALS—On motion of A. C. Johnson, the Presiding Elder of the Cape Girardeau District, duly seconded, the Conference, after careful consideration, voted to respectfully request the North Carolina Conference to restore the credentials of Reverend J. F. E. Bates.

QUESTION 21—*Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

The names of F. J. Banta, F. W. Grampp and J. C. McDaniel were called, one by one, their characters passed and a report of their work made. Each having passed an approved examination on the course of study for the fourth year, they were elected to elders orders.

QUESTION 19—*What traveling preachers and what local preachers are elected elders?*

Traveling Preachers: Ferdinand J. Banta, Frederick W. Grampp and Joseph C. McDaniels.

Local Preachers: Poplar Bluff District, J. L. Wolverton.

QUESTION 17—*What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been elected to deacons' orders.*

Traveling Preachers: None.

Local Preachers: Farmington District, Jesse L. Finley and Acton E. Middlebrooks.

RECOGNITION OF ORDERS—On the recommendation of the District Conference of the St. Louis District, the orders of Harley E. Copeland a local elder, from the Methodist Episcopal Church, were, by vote of the Conference, duly recognized.

On recommendation of the District Conference of the West Plains District, the orders of Joseph M. Willard, a local deacon, from the Methodist Episcopal Church, were, by vote of the Conference, duly recognized.

SURRENDERING OF CREDENTIALS—The Presiding Elder of the St.

Louis District announced that there had been placed in his hands the credentials of J. E. Martin and that the same had been handed to the Secretary of the Conference.

Announcement was also made by the Presiding Elder of the St. Louis District that J. Leonard Gray, a local deacon, had withdrawn from our Church, and that his credentials were surrendered.

QUESTION 21—*Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

The names of Joseph H. Jones, F. D. Stickney and F. M. Mayfield were severally called, their characters passed, their work reported, and, having passed an approved examination on the course of study, were advanced to the class of the fourth year.

The name of Lawrence E. Murphy was called, his character passed, and, having passed an approved examination, he was advanced to the class of the fourth year. The announcement was also made that Brother Murphy had also passed an approved examination on the course of study for the fourth year.

QUESTION 15—*Who are the deacons of one year?*

Joseph H. Jones, F. D. Stickney, F. M. Mayfield and Lawrence E. Murphy.

QUESTION 16—*Who else is in the class of the fourth year?*

None.

QUESTION 21—*Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

The names of Burnell L. Schubel, G. Kelly Robinson, Francis M. Love, Daniel E. Cannaday, A. E. Middlebrooks and R. J. Blunt were called, one by one, their characters passed, their work reported, and, having passed an approved examination on the course of study, they were advanced to the class of the second year.

The names of Harvey E. Stone and E. H. Farmer were called, their characters passed, and, not having been before the Examining Committee, they were continued in the class of the first year.

The name of Roy T. Johnson was called, and announcement made by his presiding elder that he had withdrawn from our Church.

QUESTION 5—*Who are discontinued?*

Roy T. Johnson.

QUESTION 2—*Who else is in the class of the first year?*

Eugene H. Farmer, Harvey Eli Stone.

QUESTION 3—*Who remain on trial?*

B. L. Schubel, G. K. Robinson, F. M. Love, D. E. Cannaday, A. E. Middlebrooks and R. J. Blunt.

METHODIST FOUNDATION—J. D. Randolph, Executive Secretary of the Methodist Foundation, addressed the Conference in the interest of the work he represented.

PUBLISHING HOUSE—W. F. White, representing Lamar and Barton, made announcements concerning a number of important books.

MARVIN COLLEGE—Ivan Lee Holt moved that the agreement between the Bishop and the Board of Curators, and the Conference, whereby Marvin College was re-financed, together with the report of the special committee appointed to liquidate the obligations of the school, be ordered published in the minutes. The motion prevailed. The agreement and the report of the Special Committee follows, together with the report of the Treasurer of Marvin College:

Agreement

July 13, 1923.

1.—It appears that the liabilities of Marvin College as set out in the statement of July 14th, are $44,402.67. There is an additional item estimated for interest not included of $25.00, making a total liability of $44,427.67. The detailed statement of liabilities is a follows:

Security Bank—			
Principal	$8,452.34		
Interest	1,050.23		
		$ 9,502.57	
Consolidated Stores & Mfg. Co.—			
Two notes totalling	3,560.00		
Interest	488.33		
		4,048.33	
Mercantile Trust Co., principal and interest		4,030.00	
Boatmen's Bank, principal and interest		5,040.00	
North St. Louis Savings Trust Co		14,875.00	
Miscellaneous Accounts, Fredericktown		4,137.19	
Bank of Fredericktown		1,951.95	
Mrs. Clarice Andrews (subject to adjustment)		241.66	
Mrs. Thudium		293.50	
Garlands, St. Louis		175.00	
Haas-Lieber Grocery Co		107.47	
			$44,402.67
Interest to be added			25.00
			$44,402.67

2.—It further appears that there are resources, including promises that are considered absolutely good, cash in the hands of the officers of the Board, and in bank, amounting to $45,722.29. The detailed statement of the resources is as follows:

Paul Brown promise	$ 4,000.00	
Mercantile Trust Co., loan	34,125.00	
Subscriptions	200.00	
Bank at Fredericktown, cash	5,000.00	
Cash on hand, St. Louis office	1,977.17	
Cash in hands of Mrs. Barnes	320.12	
Miss Grace Hobart, furnishing room	100.00	
		$45,722.29

3.—The resources as shown above exceed the liabilities by the amount of $1,294.62. It is understood and agreed by all parties concerned that this $1,294.62 is needed and will be used to pay salaries of officers of the school during the summer months and to cover the expense of a campaign for students. The Special Committee hereinafter named, is directed to make this amount available for these purposes.

4. It is estimated by the President of the Board, that there should be received by the College on the Special Assessment for the Conference year, 1922, 1923, a balance of Fourteen Hundred Dollars ($1,400.00), and on the regular Conference Assessment Three Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($3,250.00), making a total of $4,650.00. The amounts referred to in this paragraph are not listed among the resources set out above.

It is understood and agreed by all parties that this particular item of $4,650.00 is to be reserved in such way as may be directed by the Special Committee to pay the interest and the Twenty-five Hundred Dollars due on principal for the year following the borrowing of the Thirty-five Thousand Dollars.

5.—Among the resources referred to above in paragraph two (2) there is a cash item of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) on deposit in the Security Bank in Fredericktown, Missouri. It is understood and agreed by all parties concerned that this particular item has been collected and deposited in said Security Bank with the understanding and upon the condition that it is to be used in the improvement of the College property, to the end that the physical equipment of the College may be gotten in shape for the opening of school in the fall.

6.—It further appears that without the use of this Five Thousand Dollars, referred to in the preceding paragraph, that the resources listed above are not sufficient to pay the debts of the institution and open the school next fall.

It further appears that the physical properties of the school are in such condition as to be in need of repairs and improvements to the extent of the Five Thousand Dollars, and more.

7.—For the purpose of paying the existing obligations and permitting the use of the Five Thousand Dollars for the purposes for which it was raised and deposited, it is agreed that the directed pledges of the Educational Campaign remaining unpaid and amounting to approximately Fifteen Thousand Dollars, shall be, and are pledged to the payment of the balance of liabilities unprovided for, after subtracting the amount of Five Thousand Dollars on deposit in the Security Bank.

That this may be clear, and fully understood, a list of these pledges

is to be made and attached hereto, and a copy deposited as the Special Committee may direct, and all collections on said pledges, by whomsoever made, shall be deposited for the purpose of meeting this balance on liabilities.

8.—We further agree that the farm, known as the Dr. J. J. Lewis Farm, in Wayne County, title to which has just been passed to the College, is to be pledged against this indebtedness, or balance of liability, referred to above; and in the event that we should lose title to the farm on account of this indebtedness that the amount of its value shall be restored as a permanent fund out of the uncollected pledges as same shall be realized on after the indebtedness we are seeking to secure shall have been met.

9.—We recognize the importance of the improvements and enlargement of the boys' dormitory, suggested by the President of the College, and regret that we are not in position to let the contract for the same at this time. We authorize the application of the Five Thousand Dollar improvement fund, named above, in such way as the President of the College and the Special Committee may elect, in taking care of necessary improvements, and in remodeling the boys' dormitory. We sincerely hope that while this work is going on, a friend, or friends of the College may be found who will enable us, without contracting additional obligations, to carry out the plans suggested for remodeling the dormitory. We strongly commend this as a most urgent need of the College.

10.—We recommend to the Annual Conference that a small Committee be created from the Board of Curators, or elsewhere, charged with the responsibility of superintending and directing the finances of the College during the period of its existing indebtedness to the Mercantile Trust Company; and to the end that no indebtedness be contracted beyond our resources to pay, or as provisions may be made by the Conference.

We further recommend that a study be made of the charter of the institution with the view of so re-organizing the Board of Curators as to get a body of directors for the College less numerous and less widely scattered for effectiveness in administration.

11.—We further recommend that the Conference levy an assessment of a sufficient amount to cover the semi-annual interest and principal installments on the Mercantile Trust Company loan, and such other amount as the Conference may be willing to expend in operating the College.

12.—The Executive Committee, acting for the Board of Curators, hereby agrees and promises to use due diligence in carrying out, and making effective all the provisions of this paper; and to that end pledges its co-operation to the Special Committee, the President of the College, and others concerned.

13.—The parties agreeing to the above as a basis for negotiating a loan of Thirty-five Thousand Dollars with the Mercantile Trust Company, has had in mind, and before it, the action of the St. Louis Annual Conference in session at Flat River, Missouri, September 30th, 1922, which acton is as follows:

> Whereas, The St. Louis Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, assembled in regular session at Flat River, Missouri, on September 29, 1922, did consider and adopt a report in writing from its Commission duly appointed, and constituted to consider ways and means of handling and meeting the existing indebtedness on Marvin College, Fredericktown, Missouri, an educational institution owned and operated by said Conference, and
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> Whereas, Said report recommended that the Board of Curators of said College procure and negotiate a loan for said purpose in a sum not exceeding Fifty Thousands Dollars ($50,000); therefore, be it
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> Resolved, By the St. Louis Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in regular session assembled, as follows:
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> First, That the Board of Curators of Marvin College, at Fredericktown, Missouri, be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to procure and negotiate a loan, not in excess of the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000), to cover existing indebtedness against Marvin College, and to pledge the properties of said college as security for said loan;
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> Second, That the Secretary of this Conference, be and hereby is, authorized and empowered to sign, on behalf of said Conference, any note given for said loan, hereinbefore authorized, as additional security therefor;
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> Third, That the officers of this Conference, and of the Board of Curators of said Marvin College be, and hereby are, authorized and empowered to execute and sign any necessary chattel mortgage or deed of trust required or demanded for the security of the loan hereinbefore authorized and provided for, and the said St. Louis Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, does hereby confirm and ratify any and all acts of its officers and agents exercised in the procurement of said loan, as aforesaid.

After due deliberation and careful consideration of all the aspects of the case we have reached the above conclusion and agreement as the best we can do in the matter of carrying out the instructions of the Annual Conference in letter and in spirit, and hereby submit this paper as the report of our work.

14. The Special Committee mentioned in the above paragraph, and agreed to by all parties hereto, is Reverend Ivan Lee Holt, D. D., Mr. Louis Boeger and Mr. C. L. Whitener.

15.—The loan secured by the Board of Curators is for Thirty-five Thousand Dollars ($35,000.00), and is with the Mercantile Trust Company. The rate of interest is six per cent (6%), payable semi-annually on January 15th and July 15th, with an installment of Twenty-five Hundred Dollars ($2,500.00) on principal due annually on July 15th for a period of ten years, when the entire balance of the loan becomes due.

W. F. McMurry,
Bishop of the Annual Conference.

Marvin T. Haw,
President, Board of Curators.

Ruth Barnes,
President, Marvin College.

Pursuant to the above Agreement, the Special Committee on the

Settlement of Marvin College Indebtedness, went to Fredericktown and paid all obligations against the school, on July 31, 1923.

The present indebtedness of the school is the Thirty-five Thousand Dollar loan at the Mercantile Trust Company, and the Five Thousand loan at the Security Bank, at Fredericktown.

(Signed) Ivan Lee Holt,
Louis Boeger,
C. L. Whitener.

Report of the Treasurer, Board of Curators, Marvin College

October 1, 1922—October 1, 1923

GENERAL FUND

RECEIPTS

Directed Pledges, Educational Campaign	$ 5,253.75	
Special Assessment	5,888.16	
Loan from Mercantile Trust Co.	35,000.00	
Gift of Paul Brown	4,000.00	
Loan from Security Bank, Fredericktown	5,000.00	
Interest on daily balance	21.59	
Miscellaneous	2,202.16	
Total Receipts, General Fund		$57,365.66

DISBURSEMENTS

Mercantile Trust Co., principal	$5,000.00	
Interest	312.20	
		$ 5,312.20
North St. Louis Trust Co., principal and interest		15,599.68
Mrs. Barnes, account Teacher Salaries and Campaign Expense		4,695.93
Amanda Goddard		100.00
Boatmen's Bank		6,503.14
P. B. Kinder, account coal	$350.00	
Overdraft in closing his account as Treasurer	50.58	
		400.58
Bank of Fredericktown, principal and interest		2,031.95
Consolidated Store & Mfg. Co.		1,447.43
Security Bank		13,261.65
L. J. Bourdon		110.00
Ferguson Printing Co.		498.50
I. J. Pirtle, insurance		14.37
Mrs. W. F. Talley, room rent for Prof. Middlebrooks		56.00
Expense, Special Marvin College Day		170.50
Office expense, stationery and stamps		93.85
St. Louis Christian Advocate		20.00
Bess Hardware Company		389.01
West Disinfecting Company		9.25
Citizen Telephone Company		29.60
Schwaners' Dry Goods Company		4.75
Francis Stock Farm		14.18
White Market		726.24
J. & O. Schlesinger		11.89
Brown Business College		16.55
Geo. W. Hull, wiring building		5.85
Ice and Fuel Company		5.20
McClurg & Co.		30.00
Rachael Alexander, note for salary		103.00
Mrs. C. C. Thudium		293.50
Garlands		175 00
Haas-Lieber Grocery Company		107.47
Mrs. S. E. Ivy		200.00
G. H. Hahn, salary as janitor, one year		833.00
Graham Lumber Company		11.29
McKinneys		49.70
Gray Drug Company		34.82
City of Fredericktown, three years, electricity		344.47
Louis Damron		18.00

Mrs. C. P. Damron		56.00	
Schulte Mfg. Co.		309.85	
Fredericktown Ice Company		7.50	
Shetley & Co.		11.20	
S. F. Deneke		414.28	
W. P. Huskey		1.00	
E. H. Webb		3.35	
Fredericktown Lumber Company		154.48	
White & Co.		32.34	
Irene Huskey		200.00	
Adding Machine & Typewriter Co.		27.03	
Hillyard Chemical Company		69.70	
Citizen Bank of Greenville, note of Consolidated Store Co.		479.20	
Mrs. Clarice Andrews		151.66	
Anson Barber		23.05	
Disbursements made by Mercantile Trust Co. in closing loan—			
F. J. Parkins, abstractor	$ 14.50		
Seal	4.50		
Revenue stamps	17.50		
2½% commission	875.00		
Printing Serial Notes	75.00		
Interest to N. St. Louis Trust Co.	419.68		
Releasing old deed, and filing new, etc.	25.00		
North St. Louis Trust Co.	14,500.00		
	$15,931.18		
Less North St. Louis Trust Co. Note, previously counted	14,919.68	1,011.50	
Warwick & York		25.64	57,106.33
Balance on hand, October 1, 1923			259.33
		$57,365.66	$57,365.66

FLETCHER S. CROWE,
Treasurer.

Report of Special Improvement Fund

On Deposit in the Security Bank, Fredericktown, Mo.

October 1, 1923.

RECEIPTS

Cash received from Mrs. Barnes	$ 4,738.69	

DISBURSEMENTS

Olson Rug Company	$ 96.20	
Bess Hardware Company	63.47	
J. B. Darling	50.00	
Famous-Barr	188.00	
Mrs. Barnes for contractor	46.50	
Pirtle & Graham	47.00	
Graham Lumber Company	132.10	
Mrs. Barnes, expense bill	21.12	
Grace Hobart, for curtain in Memorial room	10.10	
J. B. Darling	385.00	
Pirtle & Graham	33.80	
M. Whitworth	87.00	
Judd Yeager	28.00	
Harold Brand	30.00	
Joe Combs	9.00	
Myrtle Mendenhall	1.00	
Bess Hardware Company	298.08	
City of Fredericktown, wiring dormitory	150.00	
Stix, Baer & Fuller	207.60	
		$ 1,883.97
Balance on hand		2,854.72
	$ 4,738.69	$ 4,738 69

FLETCHER S. CROWE,
Treasurer.

RETURNING SURRENDERED CREDENTIALS—A communication from M. H. Markley, asking that his credentials, which had been surrendered at a previous session of the Conference, be marked "cancelled" and returned to him for sentimental reasons, was presented by M. T. Haw. On motion, duly seconded, the request was granted. The Secretary was instructed to make the proper entry on the credentials of Brother Markley, and return them to him.

RELIGIOUS WORK AT THE STATE UNIVERSITY—The report of the Commission on Religious Work at the State University was presented by L. E. Todd. The report was received and the recommendations were approved. The report follows:

Report of the Methodist Commission for Religious Work in the State University

Dear Brethren:

Your Commission for Religious Work in the State University, has been engaged during the past year in the double task of directing religious work among Methodist students at Missouri University and supervising a campaign for funds among our membership in the state in behalf of the Missouri Methodist Foundation.

Our student work at the seat of the State University has been for the past year under the direction of Mr. E. H. Newcomb, now President of Central College for Women at Lexington. Under his vigorous leadership, large numbers of Methodist students have been brought into Epworth League and Sunday School at Columbia. They have been helped in the adjustment of their faith and deepened in their loyalty to the church. The Commission regrets that Mr. Newcomb will no longer serve as Student Secretary, but predicts for him a successful administration in his new field of labor.

You are aware that we have in our student constituency more than one thousand Methodists in attendance at the University and more than two hundred in the denominational colleges located in Columbia. In addition to these numbers there are approximately four hundred students in the University not affiliated with any church; making our total constituency among the students in excess of fourteen hundred.

This constituency has in part been organized into an association numbering more than five hundred. This organization known as the Methodist Student Organization functions as a potential church. The annual budget of the M. S. O. amounted to more than thirty-five hundred dollars and the far-reaching results of their activity is to be measured only in the future years.

In the matter of promoting the building program of the Missouri Methodist Foundation, substantial progress has been made. Two parcels of ground have been bought and completely paid for. One of these

is a site for the new Methodist Church and the other is a location for the Woman's Residence Hall. The lot for the new church is located at the intersection of Ninth and Locust Streets. It is one city block in length lying on Locust and half a city block in width lying on Ninth Street. Ample room is provided for future expansion and it is said by experts in such matters that no location could have been found which is better for our purpose. The lot for the Woman's Residence Hall lies on University Avenue between Ninth Street and Hitt. It is situated between the two campuses of the University and within one block of the Library. This property was bought for $18,000.00, and is considered by real estate men to have been a splendid bargain at that price. These two pieces of property have cost us $55,500.00, but a house was removed from the dormitory lot and sold for $1,500.00. In addition to this the church has received in rentals from the two properties, $814.00, making the net cost of the lots to date, $54,162.00.

It has been the experience of your commission that wherever the Missouri Methodist Foundation has been adequately presented, our people have responded liberally to the call. In spite of the present adverse financial situation, steady progress has been made during the year in the matter of securing funds for the project. Credit should be given to Mr. James W. Schwabe of Columbia for the good work he has done as financial agent for the Foundation. During the year he has secured more than $26,000.00 in cash and good subscriptions. This has been done in the face of the fact that he lost considerable time on account of the sickness both of himself and his family. The pledges which he has received have averaged more than $25.00 each.

Believing that the goal is in sight for which the members of this commission have been working, we submit to you the following financial statement of the assets of the Missouri Methodist Foundation:

Subscriptions in Columbia and Boone County	$ 57,637.00
Value of present Church building in Columbia	35,000.00
Subscriptions in the State at large	37,000.00
Pledges secured by the Women's Missionary Society for the Residence Hall	40,000.00
Donation from the War Work Fund by the Board of Missions and Board of Church Extension	100,000.00
Donation from the Woman's Missionary Council	75,000.00
	$344,637.00

Estimating that $450,000.00 will be required to complete the building program of the Foundation, it will be seen that $105,000.00 is needed. More than three-fourths of the money has already been provided. If our goal is reached, our women will have a $100,000.00 Residence Hall for Methodist Girls at the State University and $350,000.00 will be available for a great church building at Columbia.

This commission was organized for the purpose of promoting religious work among the students at Missouri University, and not as an agency to carry on a large financial campaign. For that reason we are asking that certain changes be made in our constitution:

(1) We recommend that in the future this commission shall be

made to consist of eight members, two to be elected by each of the Annual Conferences in Missouri; one on nomination of the Board of Missions, one on nomination of the Board of Education of the respective Conferences. In addition the following shall be members of this commission: The Presiding Elder of the Fayette District, the Pastor of the Broadway Methodist Church.

(2) We recommend that in the future the campaign for funds for the Missouri Methodist Foundation be carried on under the direction of the Building Committee of the Broadway Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Columbia, instead of under the direction of this commission.

(3) We recommend that an Executive Secretary, whose business it shall be to diligently press a campaign for funds in Missouri, be appointed by the Presiding Bishop of this Episcopal District.

(4) The salary of the Executive Secretary shall be fixed by the Building Committee at Columbia and paid by the Building Committee as far as possible out of funds of the Missouri Methodist Foundation.

(5) The Building Committee of the Quarterly Conference of the Columbia Church shall be charged with the responsibility of collecting and handling all funds in this campaign.

(6) We recommend that the above mentioned Building Committee elect three members of this commission as members also of the Building Committee. These three members to be chosen from the six members elected to the commission by the three Annual Conferences of our Church in Missouri.

(7) Inasmuch as large sums of money are being raised and expended by the church at Columbia and are coming in large part from outside sources, we recommend that the Broadway Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Columbia, take immediate steps to secure articles of incorporation.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. Todd, *Chairman.*

Adjourned Meeting—On motion of L. E. Todd, it was ordered that when the session adjourned this morning it adjourn to meet at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Leave of Absence—At his request, A. S. J. Baldridge was granted leave of absence, by vote of the Conference.

Women's Missionary Society—Mrs. E. A. Kitchell, Corresponding Secretary of the Women's Missionary Society of the St. Louis Conference, was presented and addressed the Conference in the interest of that organization.

Proposed State Constitution—A telegram from A. H. Armstrong, Secretary of the Church Federation of St. Louis, regarding Section Eight, Article Two, of the proposed state constitution, was read by M. T. Haw, on whose motion the article was approved by the Conference in due form.

Closing—After announcements were made, the Doxology was sung, and the session adjourned with a benediction by J. D. Randolph.

FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Sikeston, Mo., October 6, 1923.

Opening—The Conference was called to order at three p. m., Bishop McMurry in the chair. Hymn one hundred and seven, "Joy to the World," was sung, and the Apostles' Creed recited. P. A. Kasey led the Conference in prayer.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Question 21—*Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

The names of A. C. Johnson, O. H. Duggins, H. P. Crowe, M. T. Haw and W. E. Brown were called, one by one, their characters passed, and a written report submitted of their work as presiding elders during the year.

Centenary—V. O. White, Centenary Secretary of the Seventh Episcopal District, was presented.

Mission Board—Ivan Lee Holt presented Report No. 1 of the Board of Missions, which was received, and, after a general discussion of the items presented in the report, its recommendations were adopted. The report follows:

Report of the Board of Missions No. 1

This is the last year of the Centenary Campaign, and pledges ought to be paid in full. Pursuant to the action of a conference of Centenary Secretaries and Presidents of Conference Boards of Missions, held in Memphis, September 18-19, 1923, we present a classification of the churches in the conference, according to Centenary payments. Churches that have met all payments are in Class A; churches that have met four payments in full are in Class B; churches that have met three payments in full are in Class C; churches that have met one payment in full and less than three are in Class D; churches that have not met

one payment in full are in Class E. All Conferences in the denomination are classifying their churches in a similar order.

The months of December and January have been set aside as "Pay Out Months." This Conference has paid little more than one-half of its Centenary pledge, due partly to economic conditions. The economic situation is greatly improved, and we ought to put forth every effort to make substantial payments. We urge every church in Class B to pay out in full; every church in Class C to pay at least one-half of the balance due; every church in Class D and Class E to pay at least one-third of the balance due.

We pledge the Centenary Commission, the Field Secretary, the Conference Board of Missions, and the great missionary program of the Church our full support in the Pay Out Campaign.

The classification of churches follows:

SPECIAL CLASS

Churches that made no pledge and have made payments.

Cape Girardeau District

Laflin	Paid	$265.00
Millersville	"	94.00
New Salem	"	263.00
Old Salem	"	760.95
Tillman	"	30.00

Farmington District

Eureka (York Chapel)	Paid	$659.00
Glencoe (Bethel)	"	169.50
Herculaneum	"	36.85
Victoria	"	2.00

Poplar Bluff District

Carmen (Bernie)	Paid	$ 74.00
Davidson (Holcomb)	"	40.75
Hunter	"	35.00
Shoemake (Holcomb)	"	113.00
South Fork (Moody)	"	74.00

West Plains District

Pilot Grove (Anutt)	Paid	$ 33.46
Anaconda	"	87.40
Leesburg	"	60.50
Steelville	"	67.03
Tucker	"	107.32
Poyner	"	34.98
Cabool	"	106.00
Baker's Chapel	"	12.00
Dees Chapel	"	17.10
Pine Valley	"	100.00

CLASS A

Churches that have paid out in full their pledges.

Cape Girardeau District

Macedonia

Farmington District

Sedgwickville — York Chapel

West Plains District

Anutt — Montier
Birchtree — Summerville

St. Louis District

New Haven

CLASS B

Churches that have paid more than 80%.

Farmington District

Belleview — Hermatite
Coldwater — Hillsboro

West Plains District

Alton — Gray Summit
Bourbon — Labadie

St. Louis District

Arlington — Kingdom House
Bellefontaine — Manchester
St. John's

CLASS C

Churches that have paid between 60% and 80%.

Farmington District

Blackwell — Festus
Bonne Terre — Libertyville
Coldwater — Marquand
Farmington — Patterson
Marvin Church (Farmington Circuit)
Rush Tower

Poplar Bluff District

Campbell

West Plains District

Mt. Zion (Bethel-Carmel
Salem — Thomasville
Scotia — Van Buren Circuit
Zion (Licking)

St. Louis District

Bridgeton — Lafayette Park
Centenary — Mt. Auburn
Christy Memorial — Scruggs Memorial
Clayton — St. Paul's
Haven Street — Stephan Memorial
Kirkwood — University
Vinita Park

CLASS D

Churches that have paid from 20% to 60%.

Cape Girardeau District

Advance
Bell City
Bertrand
Cape Girardeau—Centenary
Diehlstadt (Charleston Circuit)
Illmo
Lusk (Charleston Circuit)
Martin's Chapel
New Prospect
New Madrid
Oran
Charleston
Commerce
Delta
Rumbranch
Sikeston
Whitewater

Farmington District

Arcadia-Ironton
Bismarck-Hickory Grove
Caledonia
Charter
Donby
De Soto
Elvins
Esther
Flat River
Frank Clay
Fredericktown
Irondale
Kinder's Chapel
Leadwood
Lutesville
Marble Hill
Pevely
Piedmont
Potosi
Salem (Farmington Circuit)
Russell Chapel (Farmington Circuit)

Poplar Bluff District

Bloomfield
Braggadocia
Cypress Creek
Deering
Dexter
Doniphan
Essex
Norrid (Bloomfield Circuit)
Parma
Perkins
Gideon
Harkey's Chapel
Hayti
Hornersville
Liberty
Lick Creek
Morehouse
Poplar Bluff
Sadler's Chapel

West Plains District

Ellington
Green Forest (Anutt Circuit)
Greenville
Koshkonong
Licking
Mt. Herman (Anutt Circuit)
New Hope (Anutt Circuit)
St. Clair
St. James
Fairview
Thayer
West Plains
Williamsville

St. Louis District

Cabanne
Ferguson
Marvin
Shaw Ave.
Grand Avenue
Immanuel
Wagoner Place
Washington

CLASS E

Cape Girardeau District

Anniston
Benton
Blodgett
Bridges, Cape Girardeau—Maple Ave.
Cape Girardeau—Third Church
Chaffee
Concord
East Prairie
Fornfelt
Haywood
Jackson
Lilbourn
Marston
Matthews
Russell (Charleston Circuit)
Vanduser
Westmoreland
Morley
New Prospect
Oak Ridge
Pleasant Grove
Pleasant Hill
Portageville
Randle
Richwoods
Rockview
Whitewater
Wyatt

Farmington District

Belgrade
Cedar Grove
Des Arc
Desloge
Fredericktown Circuit
Hopewell
Lebanon
Liberty
Loundes
Neely's Landing
Niswonger-Trinity
Oakland
Old Union
Patton-Pleasant
Plattin
Rock Springs
Thomas Chapel
Valley Mines
Walnut Grove

Poplar Bluff District

Bethany
Bernie
Caruthersville Circuit
Caruthersville
Centerville
Clarkton
Cooter
Douglas
Elk Creek Circuit
Gibson
Gray Ridge
Holcomb
Cardwell
Bragg City
Kennett
Malden
Moody
Naylor
Neelyville
Senath
Sherry
Steel
Tatum Chapel

West Plains District

Chapel Hill
Lake Spring (Licking)
Mill Creek (St. James)
Mt. Zion (St. James)
New Salem (Montier Ct.)
Pleasant Grove (Montier Ct.)
West Plains Circuit

St. Louis District

Bethel
Eureka

IVAN LEE HOLT, *President.*
OLA A. BOWERS, *Secretary.*

LEAVE OF ABSENCE—At his request, J. R. A. Vaughan was granted a leave of absence to attend a funeral.

COMMISSION ON BUDGET—Report No. 1 of the Commission on Budget was read and approved. The report follows:

The Commission on Budget submitted Report No. 1, as follows:

The assessments for general work for the ensuing year amount to a total of $38,001.22, and the distributing percentages for several causes represented are as follows:

Causes	*Per Cent*
Foreign Missions	.2911
Home Missions	.1133
Negro Work	.0289
Church Extension	.0925
Education	.0540
Theological Schools	.0385
Superannuate Fund	.0964
Epworth Leagues	.0227
Sunday Schools	.0954
Bishops' Fund	.0848
American Bible Society	.0246
General Conference Expense	.0265
Temperance and Social Service	.0058
Asbury Memorial	.0019
Lay Activities	.0178
Hospitals	.0058
	1.0000

For Conference Work for the ensuing year:

Cause	*Amount*	*Per Cent*
Conference Missions	$ 9,500.00	.2831
Education	9,100.00	.2712
Church Extension	3,572.00	.1064
Epworth Leagues	1,000.00	.0298
Barnes Hospital	3,500.00	.1043
Sunday Schools	4,000.00	.1192
St. Louis Advocate	1,125.00	.0335
Lay Activities	550.00	.0163
Incidentals	1,200.00	.0357
	$33,547.00	1.0000

The total assessment for General and Conference Work is $71,548.22, and is distributed to the districts as follows:

St. Louis District, 36%	$25,758.00
Cape Girardeau District, 20%	14,310.00
Poplar Bluff District, 20%	14,310.00
Farmington District, 18%	12,878.00
West Plains District, 6%	4,293.00

A special assessment of $10,000 for Marvin College is distributed to the districts as follows:

St. Louis District	$3,600.00
Cape Girardeau District	2,000.00
Poplar Bluff District	2,000.00
Farmington District	1,800.00
West Plains District	600.00

We recommend an assessment for the support of the Conference Claimants of an amount equal to 6% of the amount paid for the support of the presiding elder and the pastors. This assessment is not included in any of the above items.

We recommend the election of Reverend R. E. Foard, as Conference Teller for the ensuing year, and that a fixed sum of $200.00 be paid for his services, said sum to be deducted from the collections on General and Conference assessments before the distribution to the various causes is made. All money collected in the various charges should be sent to Reverend R. E. Foard, Teller, Neosho and Morganford Road, St. Louis, Missouri, and he will apportion it according to the Conference rule.

No certificate of honor will be given unless all the assessments are paid in full, including a collection taken for Sunday School Day, which day must be observed to secure an honor roll certificate.

The Treasurers of the several Boards, together with the Teller, have been bonded as per order of the Annual Conference, in the amount of $44,000.00.

The Teller's books have been audited by us and found correct.

S. M. Robinson, *Chairman.*
W. A. Humphreys, *Acting Secretary.*

The Commission on Budget submitted Report No. 2, as follows:

The Sunday School Board last year had an assessment of four thousand dollars, and they are asking that this amount be increased $3,500, making a total assessment of $7,500 for this Board.

We, your Committee, report this matter to the Conference without recommendation, for determination.

S. M. Robinson, *Chairman.*
W. A. Humphreys, *Acting Secretary.*

After a prolonged discussion of Report No. 2 of the Commission on Budget, the Conference decided, on motion of L. E. Todd, to refer the report back to the Sunday School Board for further consideration and recommendation.

Leave of Absence—J. E. Godbey requested leave of absence for H. H. Johnson, who was ill, and desired to return to his home. The request was granted.

Adjourned Meeting—Moved by Ivan Lee Holt, and duly sec-

onded, that when the Conference adjourn, it adjourn to meet again at 7:30 p. m. The motion prevailed.

The Bishop announced that J. E. Godbey would call the session to order, provided it was impossible for him to return by the hour fixed for the meeting of the evening session.

Board of Education—L. E. Todd presented the following report of the Board of Education:

Report of the Board of Education

I. Christian Education in General

Although our many fields are white unto the harvest, the call of Christian Education must not become a matter of secondary consideration. The Educational Mission of our Church was never so clearly seen or so widely proclaimed as it is today. Statesmen, business men, educators and ministers vie with each other in proclaiming the duty, responsibility and opportunity of the Church in this field. The distinctly educational activities of all the leading denominations of the Church are increasing by leaps and bounds, and the situation in our own Church is typical.

We are gratified to note the far-sighted policy of our General Board of Education as indicated by its recent action, which sets aside $10,000.00 to be used during the current year for the promotion of religious education at the tax-supported institutions, it being the policy of the Board to carry on this work in the institutions of any state in co operation with the Conference Boards of Education in the state.

Ministerial Supply.—During the current year 1,172 have volunteered for life service in our Church. Of these 606 are offering themselves for the Christian ministry, 57 for the Foreign Mission work, 26 for Home Missions, and 438 for other lines of service. In view of this we suggest that our Conference cannot afford to disregard the challenge which such a Church wide monument presents.

Student Aid.—We desire to call attention to the fact that the General Board has been able this year to dispense $8,915.00 as against $8,125.00 last year for Student Aid, and our own Conference Board has in the past been able to set aside a small fund for this purpose which, by your aid, we hope to increase from time to time. The demands of our undergraduate preachers require such Conference aid, and we urge the presiding elders to take special interest in the course of study of the undergraduates in their respective districts.

While your Conference Board of Education admits the propriety of the two thirds rule in a few cases, we urge upon you not to make this an easy practice, thus tending to lower the standard required by the law of the Church, namely, the equivalent of a high school education.

Training Schools for Christian Workers.—With special pride we

refer to the gratifying work which has been done by these schools throughout the Church. They mark a new day in the equipment of our Christian workers, and their importance can hardly be over emphasized. These volunteer agencies, together with our Correspondence School at the Southern Methodist University, give all of our young ministers and Christian workers ample opportunity to prepare themselves fully for the call of the Church.

The Christian Educational Movement.—This movement has made substantial progress during the year, both in our Conference and throughout the entire Church. The third payment falls due November 1st, and while our Conference has paid on pledges $51,322.84, this is only 34% of the amount subscribed. Therefore, we urge giving this movement right-of-way, as provided by the General Conference, by observing the prescribed plan. Thus there can be no conflict or friction caused by over-lapping.

The following is the Auditor's Report as submitted to your Board:

FINANCIAL REPORT OF DR. R. N. ALLEN

Total recorded cash	$27,655.05
Payment of subscription in error—Kirkwood	40.00
Total recorded directed gifts	24,445.99
Unreported cash on hand	1.00
	$52,142.04

DISBURSEMENTS

Drafts drawn by Treasurer, Board of Education	$27,695.05
Directed gifts to Marvin College	16,525.99
Directed gifts to Howard-Payne College	2,805.00
Directed gifts to Central College	5,105.00
Directed gifts to Central College for Women	10.00
Cash on deposit—Lexington Saving Bank	1.00
	$52,142.04

ANALYSIS OF AUDIT REPORT

The total recorded cash receipts, shown in the amount of $27,655.05, were traced directly into the bank deposits, and also verified, the total recorded Liberty Bonds aggregating nothing. There were no bonds collected in this Conference. Directed gifts were reported as collected by the colleges or by the Conference Secretary and distributed to the colleges amounting to $24,445.99. An item shown as "Payment of subscription in error," was an amount sent to the Conference Secretary in payment of subscription through an error by a laymen in the St. Louis District. He requested the payment be returned to him and same was handled by check from W. E. Hogan, Treasurer.

PAUL SWANK, Auditor.

Recommendations.—We, your Conference Board, respectfully request that you consider and take favorable action upon the following items:

1. The need of regularly sounding the Life Service Call in all of our congregations, schools and colleges; at the same time making all possible provision for the aiding of our young ministers and other volunteers who offer themselves to our Church.

2. The importance of our undergraduates completing their courses of study promptly.

3. The avoidance of the use of the two-thirds rule, except when wisely employed.

4. The endorsement of the report adopted by the Junalaska Conference on Religious Education, as set forth by the Committee of Findings, and printed by the General Board of Education.

5. The appointment of a representative of your Board to attend the session of the Methodist Educational Association for the current year.

6. The appointment by the Bishop of Dr. Paul H. Linn as Conference Secretary-Treasurer, who shall succeed R. N. Allen, in the collecting and handling of the St. Louis Conference Educational Movement Funds.

7. The appointment by the Bishop of L. R. Jenkins as Conference Secretary of Education.

II. Central College

We rejoice in the splendid conditions existing at Central College. So many students have enrolled that the capacity of the school has been reached and a large number has been turned away. The recent effort for subscriptions to the Endowment Fund was successful; sufficient subscriptions being secured to guarantee a $1,000,000 endowment for the institution. We recommend the election of the following to serve as members of the Board of Curators: John W. Fristoe and Dr. J. W. Vaughan.

III. Central College for Women

We had before use a report and full financial statement by E. A. Hopkins, Secretary of the Board of Curators. The lofty ideals of Central College for Women have been maintained and the religious atmosphere has been deepened by special revival services which reached the entire student body. One hundred and eight were enrolled during the year, 82 of these being in the boarding department.

During the year Dr. Z. M. Williams resigned as President of the College, and Rev. E. H. Newcomb was elected in his place.

According to the financial statement submitted to us, the income for the year was $47,715.00. The expenses for the year amounted to $46,956.00, leaving a balance of $759.00. It is shown that the college property is valued at $468,840.00. The indebtedness is listed at $42,000.00, which leaves the net value of the property $426,840.00.

We recommend the election of B. G. Shackleford as curator, vice Governor Lon V. Stevens, deceased, and the election of Dr. Alfred F. Smith as Curator, to succeed himself.

IV. Marvin College

The work at Marvin College during the past year has shown progress. Under the presidency of Mrs. Ruth Barnes, and by her untiring efforts in every field of endeavor concerning the school, we are encouraged to renewed effort that the Church may yet be able to realize her ideal so long cherished with reference to this institution.

The present enrollment is 122, or practically the same as last year. However, it is noteworthy that the number of students now enrolled in the college proper, is double the number so enrolled last year, while those in the high school is half the number of a year ago. A happy spirit of devoted loyalty to the college and the Church prevails without exception with both faculty and students.

Recently an amount approximating $5,000.00 was expended in improvements on the property.

The total indebtedness against the college at the present time is $40,000.00, which is about $5,000.00 less than it was a year ago, and $15,000.00 less than two years ago.

The estimated deficit for the first semester of the current year is $4,500.00, and $5,500.00 for the second semester, or $10,000.00 for the entire current year. To meet this deficit, dependence is based on the $10,000.00 special assessment voted at this Conference and on special contributions which may be secured during the year.

The interest, and payments on principal of the $40,000.00 indebtedness, is expected to be taken care of from receipts on directed pledges to Marvin College from the Educational Movement, and from the sale of a farm (estimated as worth $5,000.00) recently given to the school.

We incorporate in our report the following resolution, and recommend its adoption:

WHEREAS, The Board of Curators of Marvin College has agreed to re organization, so that the Board may be composed of the presiding elders as ex-officio members and of five members to be elected by the Conference, and

WHEREAS, Such re-organization is not prohibited by the requirements of the Charter of said institution, as revealed in Article IV, therefore be it

Resolved, That the resignations of the present Curators be accepted as effective at once; that the presiding elders be named as ex-officio members of the new Board of Curators, to serve with the following five members hereby nominated for election—Ivan Lee Holt (1928), C. L. Whitener (1927), Louis Boeger (1926), R. G. Applegate (1925), and J. W. Fristoe (1924).

V. WORK IN THE STATE SCHOOLS

The religious educational work among the Methodist students in the State University, and the Southeast Missouri Teachers College, has made gratifying progress.

State University.—The Commission for religious work in the State University reports the total assets in hand for the new building enterprise at Columbia, Mo., to be $344,637.00.

J. D. Randolph has been appointed executive secretary by the Presiding Bishop to press the campaign for funds in Missouri to complete the great program at the State University.

We recommend that in the future the Commission for Religious Work in the State University consist of eight members, two to be elected by each of the State of Missouri Annual Conferences, one on nomination of the Conference Board of Education and one on nomination of the Conference of Missouri; the presiding elder of the Fayette District and the pastor of the Broadway Methodist Church shall be the additional members of the commission.

We recommend that the Bishop appoint W. E. Brown as the representative of the Board of Education of the St. Louis Conference on the Commission for Religious Work in the State University.

Teachers College.—We recommend that steps be taken as soon as possible to secure equipment at Cape Girardeau to provide better religious educational work among the Methodist students in the Teachers College, who constitute 43% of the total student body in the college at present, an increase in the percentage during the last five years from 38% to 43%; there are 48 additional out of town students in the High School Department of the College Training School.

To further the Methodist Student Organization work and building enterprise, we recommend that a Conference Commission of five be created for Religious Work in the Southeast Missouri Teachers College, and we nominate the following to serve in this capacity: A. W. Vaughn, J. H. Gehrs, Rush H. Limbaugh, pastor of Centenary Methodist Church, Cape Girardeau, Mo., and P. E., Cape Girardeau District.

General Recommendations.—We recommend that the General Board of Education appropriate $2,000.00 to be used at state institutions in Missouri, other than the State University, for work among Methodist students, this money to be distributed by the Bishop and the Secretary of the General Board of Education.

We recommend the appointment by the bishop of J. Richard Spann, to represent the St. Louis Conference on the Continuance Committee for Religious Education in the State of Missouri, as provided for by the General Board of Education.

VI. Appointments

We recommend the following appointments:

A. E. Middlebrooks, teacher in Marvin College.
B. L. Schubel, student at S. M. U.
A. C. Gayle, student at Northwestern University.

VII. Assessment and Apportionment

The assessment for the General Board of Education is included in the general assessment apportioned to the St. Louis Conference by the General Conference. In addition to this, we request an assessment of $9,100.00 for Conference Work for the following purposes:

Marvin College	$5,000.00
Central College	1,100.00
Central College for Women	500.00

Arcadia Assembly	200.00
Work in State Institutions	800.00
To be divided, giving $300.00 to the work at Columbia and $500.00 to the work at Cape Girardeau.	
Ministerial Education Aid Fund	200.00
Membership in M. E. Education Association	6.00
Incidentals, expenses	94.00
Training School Expenses	1,200.00
	$9,100.00

VIII. Treasurer's Report

Balance on hand	$ 16.76	
Received from Conference Teller	5,247.28	
Received from interest on bonds	94.40	
Received from interest in bank	4.33	
Total received		$5,362.77

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid Marvin College	$3,284.00	
Paid Central College	854.00	
Paid Central College for Women	164.00	
Paid State University pastor	300.00	
Paid State Normal pastor	250.00	
Paid for Government bonds	196.92	
Paid Arcadia Assembly	200.00	
Paid for Treasurer's bond	12.50	
Paid expense of Education Commission	14.77	
Paid for membership in Education Board	6.00	
Paid tuition of pastor student	6.00	
Total expended		$5,288.19
Balance on hand		$ 74.52

I have $1,500.00 Liberty Bonds for Ministerial Aid Fund on hand.

John W. Vaughan, *Treasurer.*

Respectfully submitted,

Luther E. Todd, *Chairman.*
J. Richard Spann, *Secretary.*

While the report of the Board of Education was pending before the Conference, the motion was made, and duly seconded, to adjourn, and the motion prevailed.

Closing—After announcements were made, the Conference adjourned to meet at 7:30 p. m., with the benediction pronounced by W. A. Humphreys.

FOURTH DAY—EVENING SESSION

SIKESTON, Mo., October 6, 1923.

OPENING—The Conference was called to order at 7:30 p. m., J. E. Godbey presiding, by appointment of the Bishop. "I Love Thy Kingdom" was sung.

Arthur Mather led in prayer.

Hymn number four hundred thirty-two, "Thou, My Everlasting Portion," was sung.

BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITY—W. A. Ruggles presented the following report of the Board of Lay Activity, which was received, and the recommendations approved:

> We, your Board of Lay Activities, beg leave to report that we have prayerfully considered the great duties and responsibilities charged upon this Board, chief among which is to foster and to instill in the ranks of the laity the spirit of true stewardship in all its fullness and beauty.
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> The General Conference has provided that your Board of Lay Activities shall consider, promote and execute plans for larger activities of laymen in all the work of the Annual Conference and of co-operating with every other Annual Conference Board in executing plans for larger service in the work of the Church.
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> We believe that the greatest success of this undertaking can be accomplished only through the heartiest co-operation of the Conference, District, Circuit and Church Boards of Lay Activities and of the presiding elders and pastors of the several districts and charges of the Conference and, therefore, we most respectfully urge this high degree of co-operation.
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> Inasmuch as the Board of Lay Activities is a new board of our Church and has functioned but a short time, its reports have been more of planning than of achieving. Nevertheless, we wish to ratify and reaffirm the principles or policies as promulgated in our report to the last Annual Conference.
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> We urge the completion of the organization of the Boards of Lay Activities in every district, charge, and church in the St. Louis Conference.
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> As a policy we are in favor of the budget system in raising the financial obligations of the Church to the end that no claim of the Church shall profit at the expense of another.
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> We believe that if our Church is ever to receive those blessings that God has prepared for us we must bring all the tithes into the storehouse. In this behalf we urge our membership to contribute at least a tenth of their income to the support of God's work, and to train our children in His way.
>
> We stress the importance of clean Christian living in the every day

life of our people. Evangelism cannot be more vividly exemplified than by translating the ideals of Jesus into our dealings with one another.

We urge the restitution and maintenance of the family altar as a means of grace to our souls and the inculcation of faith of our fathers into the lives of the oncoming generation.

We take a strong stand for the spread of Christian literature among our people, especially our general organ, our conference organ and the Church discipline.

We reaffirm our allegiance to the great centenary and educational interests of our Church and we call our laymen to rally to the intensive effort being made in October and November of this year for the collection of the educational pledges and to the special efforts to be made this coming December and January for centenary. This is especially pertinent at this time since our laymen had such a large part in the initial efforts for these two great enterprises.

We also turn with the same devotion to greet the new task of the Church in the Superannuate Endowment Fund of ten million dollars.

We stand for raising the Conference claims in every charge in full and for the raising of the standard of salaries of the ministry.

We feel that the Church should make no uncertain sound in its evangelism as to its complete and thorough sufficiency. Believing that we should go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature let us imbibe the spirit of Charles Wesley when he wrote,

O that the world might taste and see
The Riches of His grace,
The arms of love that compass me
Might all mankind embrace.

In the matter of accomplishment we are glad to report that in certain parts of our Conference most gratifying results have rewarded our efforts. Community survey work in some charges have revealed undreamed opportunities for service and we profess to see great victories for our Lord in the ensuing Conference year, as the local boards are beginning to function.

We respectfully recommend the election of J. Will Pierce, of Cape Girardeau, Mo., as Conference Lay Leader.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) W. A. Ruggles,
C. F. Meentemeyer,
R. C. Tucker.

Professor G. L. Morelock, the General Secretary of the Board of Lay Activities, addressed the Conference in the interest of that work.

Bishop McMurry—Bishop McMurry then took the chair and the minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

BOARD OF EDUCATION—The report of the Board of Education which was before the Conference at the close of the afternoon session was called, and, on motion of Ivan Lee Holt, duly seconded, the report was amended by striking out the word "Bishop" from the proposed list of the Board of Curators for Marvin College.

The report of the Board of Education was then adopted as amended.

QUESTION 42—*Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?*

An invitation from the Church at West Plains was unanimously accepted.

BIBLE BOARD—C. J. Barham presented the following report of the Bible Board which was received and approved:

> We, your Committee on Bible Cause, wish to submit the following report:
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> Through observation and experience we find that the light and inspiration of the Bible is, of all books, needed as we journey along life's pathway.
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> We are glad to note the fact that there is a growing desire upon the people, throughout our section of the country, to read and study the Bible.
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> This is indicated to us through the increased efforts to place the Bible in our public schools and ask the reading of same to the young of our land.
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> We are glad to note the fact that the translation and publication of the Bible in foreign languages is increasing and at the present time the Bible is read in almost 500 different tongues.
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> We also approve and wish to encourage the work of the Gideons in placing the Bible in hotels to be read by the traveling public.
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> We recommend that our preachers call attention to the importance of the reading and teaching of the Bible in the homes of our people.
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> We recommend an assessment upon our Conference for the benefit and promotion of this worthy cause.
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> H. L. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*
> C. J. BARHAM, *Secretary.*

QUESTION 8—*Who are re-admitted?*

Elmer T. Clark was recommended by the District Conference of the St. Louis District, and, by vote of the Conference, he was re-admitted.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN LITERATURE—J. L. Haw presented the following report of the Board of Christian Literature, which was adopted:

Report of the Board of Christian Literature

The Board of Christian Literature submits the following report:

The exhibit of the Publishing Agents shows a healthy state of business of our publishing house. The net sales reached the high figure of $2,187,000, an increase over 1922 of $41,000. The net gain in surplus over 1922 was $102,000.

We commend the appointment of Dr. Alfred F. Smith to the editorship of The Christian Advocate. We feel that the right man has been selected for this position, and that great success will crown his efforts in this new field. We guarantee him and the Christian Advocate our hearty co-operation and support.

We urge the continued effort of the preachers and laymen of the Conference in enlarging the circulation of The Christian Advocate, The Quarterly Review, The Missionary Voice, The Epworth Era, and the use of the other lierature produced by our publishing house.

The Board of Directors of the Methodist Advocate Publishing Co. presented a report concerning the St. Louis Christian Advocate. It shows the total receipts from August 1, 1922, to July 31, 1923, to be $20,513.20, and total disbursements $20,404.45. Amount of cash on hand $108.75. Unpaid accounts July 31, 1922, $5,807.78. Unpaid accounts July 31, 1923, $7,806.42. Increase in indebtedness during the year, $1,998.64. The expenses of the paper have been decreased to a practical minimum, so no relief can be expected from that source. Considering all of these facts, the Board makes recommendations as follows:

1. That an assessment of $1,125 for the support and maintenance of the St. Louis Christian Advocate be apportioned among the charges in the usual way, to be distributed by the Commission of Budget.

2. That $10 be raised in each charge by the presiding elders in their respective districts for a special emergency fund to satisfy the debts of the paper.

3. That it be set as a goal for each charge to get at lease one subscriber to the St. Louis Christian Advocate for every ten members in the charge, which would bring the number of subscribers to 13,000. If an adequate number of subscribers can be secured, The Advocate will be self-supporting.

4. That the month of January be appointed as the time for securing renewals and new subscribers for The Advocate, and that the second Sunday in January be appointed as Good Literature Day in the churches.

We express our appreciation of the work of Rev. C. O. Ransford for continuing the high standard and great usefulness of the St. Louis Christian Advocate.

We recommend the election of C. W. Webdell as a member of the Board of Directors of the Methodist Advocate Publishing Co. to fill

the vacancy caused by the removal from the state of Alfred F. Smith.

E. H. O'Rear, *Chairman.*
J. Linn Haw, *Secretary.*

A. F. Smith, Editor of the Christian Advocate, and C. O. Ransford, Editor of the St. Louis Christian Advocate, spoke to the report.

Question 21—*Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

The names of J. B. Wilburn and Elmer Peal were called, one by one, and their characters passed.

Question 11—*Who are located this year?*

J. B. Wilburn and Elmer Peal, at their own request, were granted a location.

Question 12—*Who have withdrawn or been expelled?*

On motion of W. E. Brown, duly seconded, G. A. McFarland, having left his charge, the Secretary was instructed to enter his name as having withdrawn from our Church.

Question 21—*Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

When the name of C. D. McGehee was called, the following paper was presented by Reverend M. T. Haw, the Presiding Elder of the St. Louis District:

> Inasmuch as reports are in circulation which seriously affect both the ministerial and moral character of our brother, Charles D. McGehee, we feel that the protection of the Church demands that these reports be referred to a committee for investigation.
>
> (Signed) J. E. Godbey,
> A. C. Johnson,
> H. P. Crowe,
> W. E. Brown,
> Luther E. Todd,
> Marvin T. Haw.

Ivan Lee Holt moved that, owing to the fact that the Conference was nearing the completion of its business, and to the further fact that Brother McGehee had absented himself from sessions of the Conference, that the matter be referred to the Presiding Elder of the St. Louis District for investigation. The motion prevailed.

The Chair directed the attention of the Conference to the statement

in the Manual of the Discipline which says, "The traveling preacher is under arrest of character from the time of such reference. He cannot receive an appointment and must be returned in the printed minutes with this statement of his condition."

Sunday School Board—R. L. Russell submitted the action of the Sunday School Board on Report No. 2 of the Commission on Budget, referred to them at the afternoon session, bringing back the report without any change, asking for an increased assessment of $3,500 for the ensuing year for Sunday School work, making a total assessment for the year amounting to $7,500. The motion to adopt the report, after being duly seconded, did not prevail.

On motion of S. M. Robinson, duly seconded, the assessment for the Sunday School Board was fixed at $4,000 for next year.

R. L. Russell moved that the Sunday before Christmas, or a Sunday as near that time as possible, be set apart as a day on which the Conference would try to reach, as a goal, the sum of ten cents for each Sunday School scholar in the Conference; the amount realized from this special collection to be furnished the Conference Sunday School Board for carrying out its program. The motion prevailed.

The report of the Sunday School Board was presented by R. L. Russell, and adopted, with the understanding that the Sunday set apart for the observance of Good Literature Day be the same as that observed throughout the Church:

The report follows:

Report of the Sunday School Board

We desire to express our gratitude to Almighty God for the extraordinary advancement and development in the Sunday School work in our Conference during the year now closing. This advancement began to take form when Reverend R. L. Duckworth was appointed the Conference Superintendent. For the first time we have carried out a real program of training schools, and we are gratified at the interest being taken in these schools. Five standard training schools, and five substandard schools have been conducted during the year. Six hundred forty-four certificates have been given, including forty pastors and three presiding elders.

We entered into a pronounced resolution at our last Conference that Sunday School Day would be held by every Sunday School in the Conference, and an offering taken and sent in to the Conference Teller. We are gratified at the number of churches which observed the day. The Board wishes to call attention again to the importance of observing this day, not only for its educational value, but for the vital relation the

offering sustains to the promotion of our work throughout the Conference, to say nothing of the requirements of the discipline. We cannot continue this work at the present standard, to say nothing of the advancement we should make, unless this day is observed by the Sunday Schools and the offering insisted upon and turned in for this cause. We believe that ample funds to supplement the assessment for our Sunday School work can be and ought to be secured through a systematic observance of the day.

Therefore, we request the Conference to adopt the following plan for Sunday School Day promotion and observance in 1924:

1. The second, third and fourth Sundays of April, 1924, shall be set apart as the Sundays on one of which every church shall observe Sunday School Day with appropriate exercises and an offering for Conference Sunday School work, and no conflicting plans of work shall be scheduled during this period.

2. The minimum amount to be raised on Sunday School Day shall be fixed at $3,000, and this amount shall be apportioned properly to the districts, charges and churches.

3. The Sunday School Board, through its Executive Committee, in co-operation with the district committees, shall prepare and promote a program of cultivation, making diligent use of the district conferences, standard training schools, and other agencies for this purpose.

4. The presiding elders, pastors and superintendents are asked to give diligent support to this plan in districts, charges and churches. The new "Program of Work" for the Methodist Sunday Schools is the most complete standard our Church has ever issued. The ten points of the charts touch every phase of the work, as for example: organization, lesson materials, worship, evangelism, missions and service, buildings and equipment, records, workers, meetings, training, etc. We strongly urge that all pastors and superintendents adopt these standards. We would insist that we make the claim of our own church the first claims for contributions for Sunday School work, and that the Sunday School pledge itself to no cause unless it be voted by the Workers' Council of the Sunday School.

We would further recommend:

Membership and Evangelistic Campaign

1. That special emphasis be given to a membership and evangelistic campaign urging that there be a Sunday School in every church of the Conference, and that the Sunday School scholars in every church be at least equal to the church membership.

2. That an evangelistic survey be made of every Sunday School so that the pastor and his evangelistic workers may know the evangelistic possibilities of the Sunday School.

3. That special emphasis be placed upon soul winning in every Sunday School of every church of the charges and that the Sunday School observe the evangelistic program as outlined by the General Sunday School Board, running from Christmas to Easter.

4. We would set as a goal two thousand additions to the Church on profession of faith from the Sunday Schools for this conference year, and we would suggest that each Sunday School take as its evangelistic responsibility five per cent of its enrollment.

Teacher Training

1. While we rejoice in the splendid achievements for teacher training for the year we realize that we have but touched the fringe of our needs in this field for service. We would urge the Conference to give the most sympathetic co-operation to our Conference Superintendent in his program for teacher training school; and would urge that there be held at least one standard training school in each presiding elder district of the Conference; and would further urge that there be held as many non-standard training schools as seems wise to the Conferencce Superintendent and the Executive Committee.

Wesley Bible Classes

Believing as we do in the organized class movement we would urge our pastors to organize adult Wesley Bible Classes wherever at all possible, and to stimulate organized class movements. It is planned to hold a Wesley Bible Class Federation some time during the year; and it is expected that every organized Bible class in the Conference will have representatives at this federation, at which time it is proposed to launch a campaign for an increased attendance in the adult department of every Sunday School.

Home and Parent Teacher Department

The General Sunday School Board has had under consideration for some years a better ministry to the home, and the parents of the children in the Sunday School. Recently we have organized a new department, namely, the home and parent teacher department, and the purpose of this department, while not yet well defined, is to create a better religious atmosphere in the home. We endorse this movement, and pledge its leaders our sympathy and co-operation.

Young People's Work

We regret the loss of so many of our children from the Sunday School, but we are glad to report this as a decreasing loss. We believe the organized young people's work in the Sunday School has greatly aided the pastor and other workers in the Sunday School to hold the young people to the study of God's work and to the Church. The leaders of our young people's work have found that religious conferences for the young people have been very beneficial. During the year our Con-

ference Superintendent conducted one of these conferences in one presiding elder's district with remarkable success. We think it would be wise to hold such a conference in each of the presiding elders' districts during the coming year, and endorse a movement for a conference wide meeting at some suitable place during the summer.

Elementary Work

While we have been stressing the cause of the teacher and the adult and the young people, we must not forget the children. We have found it necessary to employ a Conference Elementary Superintendent for full time service. Miss Bessie Dye has been selected for this work, and has come to us after preparation and service in this field of labor. We bespeak for her the sympathy and co-operation of the entire conference.

Children's Week

In order to further impress upon ourselves, and the minds of our constituency, the necessity of better care of our children, we endorse, and pledge ourselves, to co-operate in the movement known as Children's Week; and that in certain centers of the Conference we will lay special emphasis upon this movement.

Circulation of Literature

This is an age in which the people are reading. We would, therefore, urge that there be placed before our people our Sunday School publications, such as the Church School, Our Young People, The Haversack, The Torchbearer and Our Boys and Girls. Suggestions from men and women of wide experience on the best methods of carrying on our religious educational work may be found in the Church School, and facts and fiction of convincing, and the cleanest sort, are to be found in the other publications. We would, therefore, ask that Sunday, January 27th, be designated as "Good Literature Day" in all our Sunday Schools, and that special emphasis be laid upon the circulation of these periodicals. We would further urge that every Sunday School subscribe for the Superintendent and His Helpers. This publication should be placed in the hands of the superintendents.

Summer Schools

The success of the school for the training of Christian leaders, held at Fayette, Missouri, last summer, is a cause for rejoicing. We find there was enrolled in this school 235. 270 certificates of credit were issued, and of this number 34 were from the St. Louis Conference. We are gratified to know that such a school will be conducted at the same place next summer. While rejoicing in the success of the school we deeply regret that the attendance from this Conference was not large. We would urge every pastor to keep in his mind this school, and plan to give two weeks of his vacation in study there, and express the hope that they may be able to take with them many of their Sunday School leaders.

Missionary Education

In view of the central place of missions in the program of the Master, the unusual exigency of the world missionary situation today and Methodism's exceptional opportunity for missionary expansion, your Board would emphasize the importance of a strong program of missionary education in every local church. Fundamental in such a program is a policy of missionary education in the Sunday School. This is a center of special interest and responsibility for Sunday School leaders. We would therefore call attention:

1. To the value of observance by every Sunday School of Monthly Missionary Day with a suitable program. Plans and programs of high educational value are available through the office of the General Sunday School Board.

2. To the unique opportunity involved in the fact that the Uniform Series of Sunday School lessons for the entire Fourth Quarter of the current year is devoted to the study of "The Missionary Message of the Bible." This affords our pastors the first great opportunity to move in concert upon the Sunday Schools with a missionary message.

3. To the exceptional pedagogical and spiritual value of the missionary special. If we succeed in the educational process a means of expressing interest must be provided. A missionary special to which the monthly missionary offering in the Sunday School can be directed is best suited to this need because it is concrete and not an abstract idea. The periodical reports from the field stir interest and keep the school in constant touch with the work accomplished by its offering.

Every pastor is apprised no doubt of the suggested plans, programs and materials which are available through the General Sunday School Board.

The Sunday Schools of this Conference have made a splendid record in centenary giving, and we would urge every pastor and Sunday School to carry through this enterprise, and see to it that every pledge made to the centenary is paid. Your centenary pledges—the Sunday School may be used in taking a special, and thus help on the great cause of missions.

The attaining of these and other desirable goals are depending largely upon the leadership of the pastor. We, therefore, most earnestly urge that all pastors make these aims their aims and line up in a great movement for religious education and the conversion of the young and the development in religious activity.

We request the Bishop to appoint Reverend R. L. Duckworth Conference Superintendent of Sunday School Work for another year.

R. L. Russell, *Chairman.*
F. S. Crowe, *Secretary.*

Question 6—*Who are admitted into full connection?*
None.

QUESTION 7—*Who else is in the class of the third year?*

None.

QUESTION 10—*Who are received from other churches as traveling preachers?*

None.

ARCADIA ASSEMBLY—P. A. Price presented the following report of the Trustees of the Arcadia Assembly, which was adopted:

Arcadia Assembly has had one of the most successful years of its history. The boards of our Conference made it possible by their contributions to have an excellent program for Church and Family Week. Evangelistic preaching, Bible study, presentation of the varied phases of our great Church's work, exemplifications of Daily Vacation Bible School methods with unusual opportunities for outing and recreation afforded by the beautiful location made their week one of great profit and inspiration. The improvements accomplished last year in our new water, sanitary and bathing system showed their worth this year in the increased comfort and satisfaction of our patrons. We think the experience of this year justifies our hope to offer our accommodation and privilege at less expense next year.

Epworth League Week gave our young people a splendid experience in inspiration, instruction and recreation. Twenty-two responded to the appeal for life service. Eight of these were for full time service. Ninety-eight leaguers enrolled in classes, and eighty-one took credit in Christian Culture.

We recommend Brother A. C. Johnson be elected Trustee in the place of R. P. Basler, who has transferred from this Conference.

We also recommend Brother F. S. Crowe be elected Trustee in place of W. H. Stubblefield, Jr.

We also recommend the chairmen of the different boards and the Executive Committee constitute the Program Committee.

The following are recommended as Publicity Committee: Howard Crowe, R. C. George and C. L. Whitener.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

Receipts for 1923 during the Assembly at Arcadia, Mo.

Cots, tents, bedding and registration	$ 898.20
Bath house	58.11
Dining room and other concessions	272.25
Telephone	6.38
	$1,234.94

DISBURSEMENTS

Upkeep of grounds and repairs	$ 634.77
One range	130.00

Refund	5.60
Paid dining room	240.20
O. H. Duggins, last year light bill	65.00
Miscellaneous expense, laundry and bath house help	35.35
To O. H. Duggins, Treasurer	124.02
	$1,234.94

P. A. Price, *Secretary.*

Committee on Rules—Arthur Mather presented the report of the Committee on Rules, and the motion for adoption was made and duly seconded.

A. F. Smith moved, as a substitute, that the report be received and published in the minutes, without adoption, and that action on the adoption be deferred until the next session of the Annual Conference.

On a division of the Conference vote, the substitute prevailed.

The report follows:

Report of the Committee on Rules

1. District Conference Representation

The lay representation of the District Conference shall consist of two delegates from each charge, the Sunday School Superintendent, Lay Leader, all local preachers within the district, recording stewards, and the district stewards.

2. Standing Committee on Nominations

(1) The presiding elders are a Standing Committee to nominate all the Board and regular standing committees at each session of the Conference.

(2) The appointment of any member of the Conference to the Presiding Eldership shall automatically vacate his membership on any of the quadrennial boards or examining committees.

(3) All vacancies on boards or standing committees shall be filled by the Conference on the nomination of said boards or committees.

3. Statistics

The Conference shall elect a Statistical Secretary for the ensuing year, who shall name an Assistant Statistical Secretary for every district (after consultation with presiding elders), whose duty it shall be to collect the statistical reports from the preachers in charge within the several districts, and see that they are properly edited and turned to the Statistical Secretary during the first day of the ensuing annual Conference session. The Statistical Secretary shall see that there is a supply of report blanks on hand at the Conference session.

4. Assessments

(1) The Conference Commission on Budget in its report shall give the comparison between the assessments for the present year, and the proposed assessment for the ensuing year; so that the Conference can act on the report with clear knowledge.

(2) All pastoral charges shall, as far as possible, adopt the budget system in raising the financial obligations of the Church, and the budget shall be in two distinct and separate parts, one for the current expenses and the other for the benevolences (both the Conference and General Benevolences), and the payment of this double budget shall be made, if possible, through weekly or monthly duplex envelopes. Or, where the charge prefers, they may use the single budget system to include the financial obligations of the charge, for both current expenses and the benevolences. But, wherever this is done, the receipts shall be prorated monthly or quarterly to the work of the charge itself, and to the other causes represented in the budget, according to the ratio of the two claims upon the single budget.

5. Undergraduates

On the evening preceding the meeting of the annual Conference a sermon shall be preached before the undergraduates of the body; and the Board of Examiners for the classes shall regularly nominate a preacher to deliver the sermon; and all undergraduates shall be expected to be present.

6. Anniversaries of Boards

The chairmen of the quadrennial boards shall constitute a Standing Committee on Anniversaries of said boards, and shall fix the time at which the various interests of said boards shall be presented to the Conference.

7. Resolutions, Reports, Etc.

(1) All papers, resolutions, obituaries, and reports, except the statistical reports, that come before the Conference must be typewritten in triplicate, before reaching the Secretary's desk, the original copy to be retained by the Secretary in the archives of the Conference for one year, one duplicate to be furnished to the editor of the St. Louis Christian Advocate, and one to the editor of the Conference Journal.

(2) All motions or amendments to motions that are of length or importance shall be in written form, and in duplicate.

8. Absence from Conference Session

No member of the Conference shall absent himself from the sessions, or any part of the sessions of the Conference, without first having been excused by the Conference.

9. Publication Committee

There shall be a Publication Committee, consisting of the Secretary

of the Conference, and two other members of the Conference nominated by him, who shall edit the Conference Journal. Within ten days of the close of the annual Conference the Secretary shall furnish to this committee a duplicate copy of the minutes which shall be published and distributed to the pastors as quickly as possible.

10. Committee on Rules

(1) There shall be a Quadrennial Standing Committee on rules, nominated by the Committee on Nominations, to which shall be referred all questions concerning rules for its consideration.

(2) This Committee on Rules shall be charged with the responsibility of constantly studying the rules of the Conference with a view to making them as nearly perfect as possible.

11. The Local Committee

The local committee of the Church at which the annual Conference is to assemble shall provide rooms for each board and committee, have them properly placarded and make announcement at the opening of the Conference session as to their location, so that these committees and boards may begin their work at 2:30 P. M. on the opening day of the Conference, and at the same hour each day thereafter, until the business in hand is completed.

12. Announcements

All announcements necessary and affecting the various items to be transacted must be in writing and handed to the Secretary ready for the call of the Presiding Bishop, that its business may be expedited thereby.

R. L. Russell,
Luther E. Todd,
Arthur Mather.

Publication of the Minutes—Arthur Mather moved that a Committee, consisting of the Secretary and two others nominated by him, be constituted a Committee on Publication of the Minutes.

After being duly seconded, the motion prevailed.

Question 9—*Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?*

A. C. Johnson, an elder from the Missouri Conference.

R. B. Kimbrell, an elder from the Southwest Missouri Conference.

J. A. Baxter, an elder from the Northwest Conference.

A. B. Holtom, an elder from the North Arkansas Conference.

W. R. Duncan, an elder from the North Alabama Conference.

Frank L. Wells, an elder from the Virginia Conference.

C. Wesley Webdell, an elder from the Memphis Conference.

H. P. Waits, an elder from the North Alabama Conference.
A. C. Gayle, an elder from the Illinois Conference.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS—H. E. Ryan presented the following report of the Committee on District Conference Records, which was adopted:

> We, your Committee on District Conference Records, desire to report that we have examined the records of all the districts, and find them neatly kept.
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> We note, however, that the St. Louis District records, while being well kept and admirably arranged, are kept in a loose leaf book, instead of the District Conference record book as furnished by the publishing house; and, also, that the Poplar Bluff District records are kept in a very flimsy loose leaf record book.
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> H. E. RYAN, *Chairman.*
> J. A. BROWN, *Secretary.*

CHURCH PROPERTY—C. R. Baker presented the following report of the Committee on Church Property, which was adopted:

> We, your Committee on Church Property, submit the following report:

Number of pastoral charges	140
Number of church buildings	288
Value of church buildings	$2,213,450.00
Indebtedness on churches	92,212.00
Number of parsonages	121
Value of parsonages	$ 331,750.00
Indebtedness on parsonages	40,934.00
Other church property	171,631.00
Insurance carried	1,624,610.00

> C. R. BAKER, *Chairman.*
> J. W. DUNCAN, *Secretary.*

BOARD OF FINANCE—C. W. Tadlock presented Report No. 1 of the Board of Finance which was adopted. The report follows:

> Your Board of Finance has given careful and prayerful attention to the work committed to its hands and submits the following report:
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> No interest of our Church is more worthy of consideration than that of the faithful men of God who, by reason of age and infirmity, are no longer able to continue in the active ranks of the ministry of our Church; and that of their widows and orphan children. The labors and sacrifices of those who have retired from active service together with those who have joined the Church triumphant have made possible the splendid heritage which is ours today.

These prophets of God who have given the strength of their active years in the service of the Master are entitled to the highest place of honor among the servants of God and are deserving of the most liberal support the Church can give. Your board, therefore, would urge all presiding elders, pastors, and church officials to make every effort possible to pay the assessments for Conference claimants in order that we may make the evening of life for these worthy servants more restful and happy.

We have had before us a report from the Board of Finance and find encouragement in the growth of the General Superannuate Endowment Fund. When the board began its work in September, 1918, it had a capital of $446,080.25. At the close of the last fiscal year, March 31, 1923, the capital was $921,820.32. We congratulate the Secretary, Reverend Luther E. Todd, D. D., and his board upon this splendid showing; and we pledge him and those associated with him in directing the campaign to raise a minimum of ten millions of dollars for Superannuate Endowment, our loyal and undivided support. We believe that the hour has come to perform a long neglected work, and we urge our people to arise in the strength of a great purpose and a great consecration and go forward to achievement.

We record our appreciation of the presence of Bishop W. N. Ainsworth and his splendid address given in the interest of our superannuates. It stirred our hearts and we will feel its power in the months to come. The clear and forceful presentation of the plan of campaign by Dr. Todd will help us in organizing the churches and carrying forward the work of the campaign. We are glad to report that your Conference Board has a larger fund to distribute to the Conference claimants this year than last, the increase being a little more than two thousand dollars. This is not due, however to better collections but rather to the fact that funds have come to our board which have heretofore gone to the Board of Finance. *We recommend* that the usual assessment of an amount equal to six per cent of the amount paid in each of the pastoral charges, for the support of the presiding elder and the preacher in charge, be made for the support of the Conference claimants. *We recommend* further that the St. Louis Conference waive its income from the equity of the Conference in the St. Louis Christian Advocate, providing that the other conferences in Missouri do likewise. *We also recommend* that Rev. R. B. Kimbrill be elected a member of the board to take the place of Rev. Linus Eaker.

We have had before us the report of the Board of Trustees of the St. Louis Conference and note that there is a vacancy caused by the death of Brother James E. Brock. Brother Brock was a faithful servant of the Church and we here record our appreciation of his high character and devotion to the Church he loved and served. Our attention has also been called to the fact that the Trustees have filled vacancies occurring in the board from time to time, which authority properly belongs to the Conference. Therefore, we offer the following:

Resolved, By the St. Louis Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in annual session assembled, at Sikeston, Mo., on October 6th, 1923, that the election heretofore from time to time by the acting Trustees of "The Board of Trustees of the St. Louis Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South," a Missouri corporation, of W. M. Sloan, Murray Carleton, George Clarkson, and Louis Boeger, be ratified and confirmed, and they are hereby formally elected members of the board of said corporation; and further that Frederick Vierling is hereby elected a member of the board of said corporation, to fill the vacancy made by the death of James E. Brock.

Following is the report of the Board of Trustees:

(Signed) C. W. Tadlock, *Chairman.*

H. E. Ryan, *Secretary.*

Report of the Board of Trustees of the St. Louis Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South

A Missouri Corporation

For the Fiscal Year Ended September 15, 1923

INCOME SUPERANNUATE FUND

DR.

Jan.	2, 1923.	Interest 4%, six months on $4,000 par value bonds of United Railways Co.	$ 80.00
Jan.	2, 1923.	Interest 6%, six months on $4,000 par value bonds of Pensacola Hotel Co.	120.00
Feb.	1, 1923.	Interest 6%, six months on $5,000 par value bonds of Kinloch Telephone Co.	150.00
Feb.	1, 1923.	Interest 6%, six months on $3,500 par value bonds of Road District No. 8, Crittenden County, Arkansas	105.00
Feb.	1, 1923.	Interest 6%, six months on $3,000 par value bonds of Helena-Ferguson Road District, Phillips County, Arkansas	90.00
Feb.	1, 1923.	Interest 6%, six months on $100 par value bonds of Arcola Sugar Co.	3.00
Apr.	1, 1923.	Interest 4%, six months on $4,000 par value bonds of Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis Ry.	80.00
May	1, 1923.	Interest 6½%, six months on $2,700 par value bonds of Hotel McAllister Co.	87.75
July	1, 1923.	Interest 6%, six months on above bonds Pensacola Hotel Co.	120.00
July	1, 1923.	Interest 4%, six months on above bonds United Railways Co.	80.00
Aug.	1, 1923.	Interest 6%, six months on above bonds Kinloch Telephone Co.	150.00
Aug.	1, 1923.	Interest 6%, six months on above bonds Arcola Sugar Co.	3.00
Aug.	1, 1923.	Interest 6%, six months on above bonds Helena-Ferguson Road District	90.00
Aug.	1, 1923.	Interest 6%, six months on above bonds Road District, No. 8.	105.00
		Total income for period	$1,263.75

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Mar.	31, 1923.	Paid annual rent of safety deposit box used by Trustees	$ 5.00	
Sept.	15, 1923.	Paid Conference Teller to be used for superannuate members of the Conference	1,258.75	$1,263.75
		Balance		None

INCOME DOMESTIC MISSIONS FUND

DR.

Feb.	1, 1923.	Interest 6%, six months on $1,000 par value bonds of Helena-Ferguson Road District, Phillips County, Arkansas	$ 30.00
Aug.	1, 1923.	Interest 6%, six months on above bond	30.00
		Total income for period	$ 60.00

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Sept.	15, 1923.	Paid Conference Teller, to be used for domestic mission work in the conference	$ 60.00
		Balance	None

There have been no changes in investments since report of the trustees dated September 15, 1922.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred'k Vierling,

Acting Secretary and Treasurer of Board of Trustees.

Board of Church Extension—Clarence Burton presented the following report of the Board of Church Extension, which was adopted:

Report of the Board of Church Extension, St. Louis Annual Conference, 1923

To the Bishop and Members of the St. Louis Annual Conference:

Brethren:

We are glad to report to you that the work of the Board of Church Extension continues with uninterrupted progress. The income of the Board, including the income of the Annual Conference boards, for the fiscal year, ending March 31, 1923, was $1,145,343.17. The Loan Fund capital was increased during the year, $194,925.89 making a total Loan Fund capital of $2,126,529.09. Yet, the large increase in funds available for loans to churches, does not approach to the meeting of the building needs of the Church at present.

This is an era of church building. Our people are erecting better buildings in which to worship God; this is to be commended. A warning, however, is needed against building so far beyond the present needs of the community as to embarrass the congregation with debts they cannot discharge, and an annual budget for running expenses which they cannot pay.

The following figures from the General Board will show the greatness of the need for aid in our church building today:

There was before the last annual meeting of the Board, held April 25-26, 1923, applications as follows:

For Donations	Churches, 208	Amount,	$667,785.00
Loans	Churches, 124	Amount,	746,500.00
Donations	Parsonages, 35	Amount,	29,333.00
Loans	Parsonages, 21	Amount,	32,300.00

To meet these large needs we had an estimated donation fund for the year of $94,655.47. In other words there were applications for $602,463.06 more than the Board could possibly appropriate, did it save nothing out for emergencies.

The total amount asked for in loans was $778,800, and we had only $282,902 to lend. In other words churches asked for loans amounting to $495,897.95 more than the Board could possibly grant at this Annual Meeting.

These figures indicate the largeness of the building program now on throughout the Church, and also explain the many disappointments, where needs were great, and the Board unable to respond to the need.

The annuity provision of the Board of Church Extension supplies not only an absolutely safe trusteeship for funds one may invest therewith, but also at the same time brings a sure and regular return during the lifetime, that will be undisturbed by financial fluctuations, and requiring no further attention on the part of the donor, and, moreover, puts these funds into an undying activity of sacred accomplishment after the work of life is done.

We are glad to note that the General Board reports that several large sums have been recently placed with them on annuity; one friend so placing $90,000 at one time.

We trust that the matter of Annuity Bonds may be kept constantly before our people.

We call particular attention to another of the recently adopted and now thoroughly approved departments of the General Board, that of the Department of Architecture.

The Board of Church Extension, and the Sunday School Board are working in harmony through a joint committee from the two boards in making a study of standard plans required by modern church organizations. Many of the church buildings which are now being erected are out of date and are unsatisfactory the hour they are completed.

The Board feeling that the time has come when it should place its money only in those buildings which meet the standards required by the Sunday School Board and the Board of Church Extension, passed the following rule:

> The Secretary shall require the plans of all churches, to which grants of either donations or loans are made, to be submitted to the Department of Architecture of the Board of Church Extension for approval. Should the plans be unsatisfactory it is made his duty to suspend payment of the grant until the plans are changed to conform to the suggestions of the Department of Architecture.
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> A reasonable charge shall be deducted from the grant for this service rendered by the Department of Architecture.

Heretofore appropriations of the General Board have been made only at the annual meeting and by the Executive Committee when emergencies arose. It was found impracticable to do the wisest work within the limits of the few days of the Annual Meeting, in appropriating hundreds of thousands of dollars to churches scattered throughout the entire territory of the Southern Methodist Church.

It was deemed wise to provide for quarterly appropriations, rather than limiting this serious and important work to the Annual Meeting and the Executive Committee. At the annual meeting of the Board in April, 1923, the following report was adopted:

> Your committee appointed at your last annual meeting, to consider the question of the appropriation of funds at times other than at the annual meetings of the board, submits the following:
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> Resolved, First, The board shall appoint annually a committee on appropriations, to be composed of twelve members, seven of whom shall be members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Church Extension, and five to be appointed from among the members of this board, upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.
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> Second, The Appropriations Committee shall meet three times a year, in addition to the annual meeting of the board, on the call of the President and Secretary of the Board.
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> Third, This committee shall have authority to make, by a three-fourths vote, grants of donations and loans under the same rules and regulations governing appropriations by the board at its annual meeting, except, that at no meeting shall the appropriations for either donations or loans exceed one-fourth of the amount available for appropriations as estimated and approved at the preceding annual meeting of the board.

You will note that the Committee on Appropriations of funds is to make grants of donations and loans under the same rules and regulations governing appropriations by the Board at its Annual Meeting. That is to say, no application for donation or loan will be considered by this Committee on Appropriations which does not have the approval of the

Conference Board or the Executive Committee of the Conference Board.

Let the churches of this Conference that expect to make application to the General Board during the year take notice of this favorable provision of the Board for a consideration of grants four times a year, instead of just once, and also make note of the fact that the Executive Committee of the Conference Board will, in consonance with the General Board meet as often to pass upon applications that may be before them.

There is now a loan fund capital in all the Annual Conferences, separate and independent of the Loan Fund of the General Board of $258,-717.02. Our own Conference Loan Fund is $3,642.

In most cases a loan is better than a donation, maintaining a conscience of self-reliance and independence in the local church. It would seem clearly advisable that a part of our Conference funds should be set apart each year to be added to our Loan Fund.

The General Board in its wisdom has approved a plan for property protection, so that all liabilities of damage or destruction of property, by fire or otherwise, may have fully adequate provision for protection, and at a much lower cost.

The following appropriations of donations and loans were made:

Donations.	Churches,	Campbell $750.00
"	"	Arcadia 250.00
"	"	Bourbon 250.00
"	"	Eureka 250.00
"	"	Centenary, St. Louis 300.00
"	Parsonages,	DeSoto 300.00
"	"	Illmo 250.00
"	"	West Plains District 250.00
"	Arcadia Assembly	..... 100.00
Loans.	Churches,	Delta 800.00

The amount of collections for this year for the General Board, $2,530; for Conference Board, $2,508.89. CLARENCE BURTON, *President.*

CONFERENCE TELLER—R. E. Foard, Conference Teller, presented the following report, which was received and filed:

Total money received on assessment for General Work for the past year is $27,351.63. After deducting $108 for teller's expense there remains $27,243.63 which has been distributed as follows:

Foreign Missions	.2911	per	cent	$ 7,930.62
Home Missions	.1133	"	"	3,086.70
Negro Work	.0289	"	"	787.34
Church Extension	.0925	"	"	2,520.04
Education	.0540	"	"	1,471.16
Theological Schools	.0385	"	"	1,048.88
Superannuate Fund	.0964	"	"	2,626.29
Epworth Leagues	.0227	"	"	618.43
Sunday Schools	.0954	"	"	2,599.04
Bishops' Fund	.0848	"	"	2,310.26
American Bible Society	.0246	"	"	670.19
General Conference Expense	.0265	"	"	721.96
Temperance and Social Service	.0058	"	"	158.02
Asbury Memorial	.0019	"	"	51.76
Lay Activities	.0178	"	"	484.93
Hospitals	.0058	"	"	158.01
Totals	1.0000	"	"	$27,243.63

Total money received on assessment for Conference Work for the past year is.....$23,249.38
Interest on daily balances added to this fund..... 8.75

Total Conference Work Fund.....$23,258.13

After deducting $92.00 for teller's expense there remains $23,166.13, which has been distributed as follows:

Conference Missions	.2879	per cent	$ 6,669.53
Education	.2758	" "	6,389.22
Church Extension	.1083	" "	2,508.89
Epworth Leagues	.0303	" "	701.93
Barnes Hospital	.1061	" "	2,457.93
Sunday Schools	.1213	" "	2,810.05
St. Louis Advocate	.0341	" "	789.97
Lay Activities	.0164	" "	379.92
Incidentals	.0198	" "	458.69
Totals	1.0000	" "	$23,166.13

Total received the past year on assessment for Conference Claimants is $9,327.46.

Total received the past year on assessment for Marvin College Special is $7,279.38.

Financial statement of all funds handled by the teller for the past year:

Receipts

Incidentals funds on hand from last year's receipts	$ 174.76
Received on assessment for General Work	27,351.63
Received on assessment for Conference Work	23,249.38
Received on assessment for Conference Claimants	9,327.46
Received on assessment for Marvin College Special	7,279.38
Received on Sunday School Day Fund	266.61
Received for Foreign Mission Special	35.19
Received for Home Mission Special	24.48
Received for Birthday Fund Special	16.55
Received for Golden Cross Fund	7.00
Received for American Bible Society, Special	5.00
Received for League Anniversary Fund	4.85
Received for interest from Trustees of St. Louis Conference	60.00
Received for interest on daily balances	8.75
Total	$67,811.04

Disbursements

To the various General Boards the following items:

The receipts for General Work (see above list)	$27,243.63
Foreign Mission Special	35.19
Golden Cross	7.00
Special for American Bible Society	5.00
Sunday School Birthday Fund	16.55

To the various Conference Boards the following items:

The receipts on Conference Work (see above list)	23,166.13
Incidental money on hand from last year	174.76
Conference Claimants	9,327.46
Marvin Special Fund	7,279.38
Sunday School Day Fund	266.61
Home Mission Special	24.48
League Anniversary Day Fund	4.85
Interest from St. Louis Conference Trustee	60.00
To the Conference Teller for services	200.00
Total disbursements	$67,811.04

Honor Roll Certificates

The following charges received Honor Roll Certificates for having paid all their Conference assessments in full:

Cape Girardeau District.—T. G. Peterson, Benton; J. R. Spann, Cape Girardeau Centenary; L. R. Jenkins, Charleston; R. L. Smith, Illmo; P. A. Kasey, Jackson; T. B. Mather, Sikeston.

Farmington District.—J. T. Evitts, Bonne Terre; C. P. Thogmorton, Farmington; H. E. Ryan, Festus; William Stewart, Flat River; J. N. Broadhead, Fredericktown; G. Kelly Robinson, Ironton Circuit.

Poplar Bluff District.—M. A. Meyers, Gideon; H. W. Doss, Morehouse; C. N. Gaines, Steele.

St. Louis District.—F. S. Crowe, Arlington; J. R. Bullington, Bellefontaine; C. P. Kirkendoll, Bridgeton; G. E. Cameron, Cabanne; C. W. Tadlock, Centenary; R. E. Foard, Christy; C. J. Dohn, Clayton; D. R. Davis, Eureka and Crescent; Arthur Mather, Ferguson; E. H. Orear, Grand Avenue; John McCarthy, Immanuel; J. M. Bradley, Kingdom House; H. H. Johnson, Kirkwood; C. L. Green, Manchester C. C. Fesler, Marvin Memorial; J. Linn Haw, Mt. Auburn; F. W. Grampp, New Haven; Ivan Lee Holt, St. John; J. D. Tussey, St. Paul; R. C. George, Scruggs; J. O. Ensor, Shaw Avenue; W. J. Heys, Stephan Memorial; W. E. Sullens, University City; L. M. Meyer, Valley Park; R. E. Ledbetter, Vinita Park; S. M. Robinson, Wagoner Place.

West Plains District.—Joseph H. Jones, Alton Circuit; J. J. Willis, Anutt Circuit; A. W. Selby, Cabool Circuit; D. E. Cannady, Ellington Circuit; J. A. Bertram, Houston; W. V. Gastin, Montier Circuit; I. C. Bradsher, Salem; J. C. Montgomery, St. Clair and Anaconda; R. J. Blunt, St. James and Mill Creek; Ola A. Bowers, West Plains.

R. E. Foard, *Teller.*

Temperance and Social Service.—J. N. Broadhead presented the following report of the Board of Temperance and Social Service, which was adopted:

We have before us a communication from the Commission on Temperance and Social Service. The work suggested by this commission covers a wide field. Attention is called to the growing divorce evil, juvenile delinquency, and many other dangers that threaten our national life. The Church cannot escape responsibility in facing these things. A program of Social Service must be worked out along Christian lines that will help in the solution of these problems. We believe that no form of organization called social service that is not founded on Christ can save men.

As this work has not been emphasized in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, as other great interests have been, we recommend that Social Service Conferences be held in each presiding elder's district, and that prominence be given to this particular field in District Conference and other meetings where large numbers may be reached.

We note with increased concern the continued and widespread violation of law and the disregard for constituted authority charged with the enforcement of law. Underlying this is the more serious disregard for the authority of God. The Church of Christ, ever faithful in pro-

claiming the supremacy of divine and human law and authority, must vigorously protest against all unlawfulness and more earnestly declare Christ's principles of righteousness for the individual and all classes in society. An election year is approaching. We may be sure that the enemies of law and order will be alert to seize every opportunity and will make every effort necessary to accomplish their evil purposes. Let our Christian ministry and citizenship be just as diligent and faithful in their efforts to elect men who stand for the principles of Christ.

In this connection we desire to commend the purpose of the Good Citizenship Conference that is to be held in Washington, D. C., October 13 14-15, and to nominate the Reverend C. W. Tadlock, D. D., and the Honorable C. M. Hay as the official representatives of the St. Louis Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Lord's Day Alliance.—Whereas, there is in twenty-five states of the Union an organization known as "The Anti-Blue League of America," whose purpose it is to defeat the "Sunday Control Laws," and the eventual repeal of existing Sunday control laws,—in a word, to abolish the American Sabbath, therefore, Be It Resolved, by the St. Louis Conference now in session that we approve the aims, purposes and work of the "Lord's Day Alliance of Missouri," and the making of the Constitution of the State Alliance harmonize in general terms with the tentative constitution proposed for all the state organizations.

Further, that we elect one clerical and one lay representative to the Board of Managers of the Lord's Day Alliance of Missouri, and that we set apart Sunday, December 30, as "Sabbath Observance Day," and ask each pastor to observe that day by preaching on Sabbath Observance, and taking an offering for the Lord's Day Alliance of Missouri, and forward the same to Reverend J. M. Bradley, Secretary of the Conference Board of Temperance and Social Service.

We, your Board of Temperance and Social Service, hereby nominate the presiding elder of the St. Louis District as the clerical, and R. W. Brooks, of St. Louis, as lay members of the Lord's Day Alliance of Missouri.

Temperance.—We recommend the work of the Anti-Saloon League and pledge our support to its work. We exhort all of our preachers to follow the leadership of the Anti-Saloon League and do all in their power to create a sentiment among our people for the strict enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment.

And as next year is election year, it behooves us to support only those men who stand for strict enforcement of law and civic righteousness. The growing disregard for law is alarming and we need to create a sentiment for heavier penalties to be assessed upon violators of the law.

We recommend that Reverend A. S. J. Baldridge be re-appointed as District Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League.

We also recommend the election of C. M. Haw, Thomas Mellow, and Reverend E. H. Orear as trustees of the Anti-Saloon League from the St. Louis Conference.

We also recommend the appointment of C. J. Barham, J. W. Worsnop, and C. L. Dennis to the work of the Missouri Children's Home Society.

(Signed) Jas. N. Broadhead, *Chairman.*
J. M. Bradley, *Secretary.*

Committee on Conference Relations—P. A. Kasey presented the following report of the Committee on Conference Relations, which was adopted:

We, your Committee on Conference Relations report that we recommend for the Superannuate relationship the following:

C. C. Berry, S. C. Biffle, M. M. Blaese, R. C. Carpenter, W. H. Cunningham, A. H. Godbey, J. E. Godbey, J. M. King, W. L. King, Z. T. McCann, W. F. Talley, W. S. Tyler, A. M. Robinson, W. H. Paschall, E. J. Rinkel, J. R. A. Vaughan, Reuben Walton.

We recommend that W. Q. Donnan be granted the supernumerary relation.

(Signed) P. A. Kasey, *Chairman.*

Question 22—*Who are supernumerary?*

W. Q. Donnan.

Question 23—*Who are superannuate?*

C. C. Berry, S. C. Biffle, M. M. Blaese, R. C. Carpenter, W. H. Cunningham, A. H. Godbey, J. E. Godbey, J. M. King, W. L. King, Z. T. McCann, W. F. Talley, W. S. Tyler, A. M. Robinson, W. H. Paschall, E. J. Rinkel, J. R. A. Vaughan, Reuben Walton.

Committee of First Year—Clarence Burton submitted his resignation as a member of the Examining Committee for the First Year, which was accepted.

H. P. Waits was nominated and unanimously elected as a member of the Committee for the first year in place of Clarence Burton, resigned.

Question 13—*Who are transferred to other Conferences?*

R. P. Basler, an elder, to the Missouri Conference.
C. N. Clark, an elder, to the West Virginia Conference.
W. D. Humphrey, an elder, to the Illinois Conference.
M. F. Crowe, an elder, to the Missouri Conference.
M. T. Haw, an elder, to the Missouri Conference.

Committee on Public Worship—T. B. Mather presented the following report of the Committee on Public Worship, which was received and filed:

Tuesday Night.—Sermon, Dr. C. C. Grimes.
Wednesday Afternoon.—Sermon, Dr. G. E. Cameron.

Wednesday Night.—Sunday School Anniversary. Address, Mr. L. F. Sensabaugh.

Thursday Afternoon.—Sermon, Dr. J. E. Godbey.

Thursday Night.—Board of Missions Anniversary. Address, Dr. W. G. Cram.

Friday Afternoon.—Sermon, Rev. W. E. Sullens.

Friday Night—Board of Hospitals Anniversary. Address, Dr. C. C. Jarrell.

SUNDAY SERVICES

Methodist Church.—Love Feast, 9:30 A. M., Dr. N. B. Henry. 11 A. M., Bishop W. F. McMurry. 7:30 P. M., Dr. Arthur Mather.

Baptist Church.—11 A. M., Dr. C. W. Tadlock. 7:30 P. M., Rev. M. T. Haw.

Christian Church.—11 A. M., Dr. A. F. Smith. 7:30 P. M., Dr. G. E. Cameron.

A. C. JOHNSON,
T. B. MATHER,
R. G. APPLEGATE.

MEMORIAL SERVICE—On motion of R. L. Russell, duly seconded, it was ordered that when the Conference adjourn, it adjourn to meet in memorial service, Sunday afternoon, at three o'clock.

STATISTICS—The Statistical Secretary, C. C. Fesler, answered Questions 24 to 40, inclusive, on call of the Bishop.

QUESTION 41—*Who is elected Conference Lay Leader?*
J. Will Pierce, Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

EPWORTH LEAGUES—T. L. Bess presented the following report of the Epworth League Board, which was adopted:

We, your Committee on Epworth League Work, wish to submit the following report:

We find that we have 119 senior, 40 junior and 17 intermediate chapters with a total of 5,644 members. This is a gain of 13 chapters during the year. There have been 25 Life Service Volunteers in the Conference; there are now 41 in training for their life work.

At Arcadia Assembly there were 98 leaguers who took class work, 81 of these received units of the Christian Culture Certificate. It is the policy of this Board and of the Conference League Cabinet that we use as teachers and public speakers the men and women of our own Conference for our Arcadia programs; this has proven very successful in the past.

We feel, as a Board, that no money appropriated by this Conference brings greater returns than that of appropriations given to the

work of the Epworth League. With the help of the $586.18 appropriated by the Conference we have successfully promoted a great summer assembly and carried out promotion work in different districts of the Conference.

The leagues themselves raised $2,379.20 on their Missionary Special. It might be said in passing that the Epworth Leagues have overpaid their Missionary Centenary subscription each of the five years. Eight hundred and twenty-nine dollars was raised in the Special Sinking Fund for Arcadia improvements and $500 for other purposes. This makes a grand total of $3,788.28 that the League has raised for all purposes this year.

Recommendations

We, as a Board, recommend that the preachers keep the Assembly dates for the year 1924 as the time for their summer vacation. We are arranging our program to be held at Arcadia from July 14 to July 20, inclusive. We urge secondly that every pastor make an effort to have an Epworth League in each of his churches. The fact that out of 132 pastoral charges with 276 churches, we only have 119 Senior Leagues constitutes a challenge in our young people's work.

We commend to your attention, our Western Assembly at Fayetteville, Arkansas. The program at Mount Sequoyah has been of a high order. This is one of our assemblies, as we are one of the twelve contributing conferences. It was unanimously voted at League Assembly that the twelve contributing conferences build a League building at Mount Sequoyah at a cost of $25,000, and that this money be raised by Leaguers of each Conference annually, paying the sum of ten cents per member for five years. In every instance where the contributing conferences have met in annual session this has been adopted.

We invite your attention to the financial report of our Treasurer, Mr. H. A. Pope, and also, the report of the Treasurer of the St. Louis Conference Epworth League, Benj. F. Frick, Jr., Treasurer.

(Signed) Chas. J. Dohn, *Chairman.*
Levi Bess, *Acting Secretary.*

Report of Treasurer of St. Louis Conference Epworth League Board
Year Ending September, 1923

Balance on hand October 1922	$ 000.00	
October 13, 1922, from Conference Teller	586.18	
		$ 586.18
December, 1922, to Benj. Frick	$ 200.00	
December, 1922, bond premium	1.25	
January, 1923, Reverend Dohn, for Fres. meeting	50.00	
July, 1923, to Benj. Frick	300.00	
		$ 551.25
Balance on hand		$ 34.93

Respectfully submitted,
H. A. Pope, *Treasurer.*

Report of Treasurer of St. Louis Conference Epworth League

Year Ending July, 1923

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand July	$ 39.73
Conference Epworth League Board appropriation	500.00
Chapter membership fees	186.00
Hillside receipts from 32 chapters	58.00
Anniversary offering	127.78
Arcadia collection	91.15
Arcadia registrations	157.50
	$1,160.16
Africa Special Pledge received	2,379.27
Swimming Pool Pledges received	829.01

DISBURSEMENTS

To Central Office one-half of Anniversary Offering	$ 63.48
Stationery and printing	73.00
Arcadia Assembly	587.53
Hillside publication	172.00
Conference officers and District Secretary work	228.15
Conference President and Dean's extension work	12.12
Incidentals	9.00
Balance on hand July 30, 1923	13.38
	$1,160.16
Africa Special remitted	2,379.27
Swimming Pool Fund on hand	829.01

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. F. FRICK, JR., *Treasurer.*

QUESTION 21—*Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

The names of the following were called, one by one, their character passed, and a report made of their work for the year:

E. C. Atkins, C. R. Baker, A. S. J. Baldridge, C. J. Barham, R. P. Basler, T. L. Bess, O. A. Bowers, J. M. Bradley, I. C. Bradsher, J. N. Broadhead, J. A. Brown, J. R. Bullington, Clarence Burton, G. E. Cameron, C. N. Clark, F. S. Crowe, M. F. Crowe, A. B. Culbertson, D. R. Davis, C. L. Dennis, J. D. Doherty, H. W. Doss, C. J. Dohn, R. L. Duckworth, J. W. Duncan, F. Eaker, L. Eaker, J. O. Ensor, J. T. Evitts, C. C. Fesler, R. E. Foard, J. W. Fulton, R. C. George, Smith Givan, J. W. Ham, W. H. Hansford, J. L. Haw, N. B. Henry, W. J. Heys, Ivan Lee Holt, W. D. Humphrey, W. A. Humphreys, L. R. Jenkins, H. H. Johnson, P. A. Kasey, D. B. Kazee, R. D. Kennedy, J. R. Kincaide, R. E. Ledbetter, Thomas Lord, Lloyd Marlin, Arthur Mather, T. B. Mather, John McCarthy, M. A. Myers, J. C. Montgomery, J. S. Newsome, L. D. Nichol, E. H. Orear, T. G. Peterson, J. T. Ricketts, S. M. Robinson, R. L. Russell, H. E. Ryan, J. T. Self, G. B. Sherman, A. F. Smith, R. L. Smith, T. E. Smith, J. R. Spann, Wm. Stewart, W. E. Sullens, C. W. Tadlock, H. L. Taylor, C. P. Thogmorton, P. G. Thogmorton, L. E. Todd, J. D. Tussey, W. J. Velvick, S. H. Wainwright, Geo. Walker, D. R. Wasson, J. A. Wood, J. W. Worsnop, B. L. Wright, H. P. Waits.

QUESTION 21—*Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

The names of all the preachers were called, one by one, their characters passed, and their work reported, with the exception as has already been noted.

Memorial Service—The Bishop announced that J. M. Bradley was appointed to preside over the Conference at the memorial service on Sunday afternoon.

Closing—After announcements were made the benediction was pronounced by the Bishop.

FIFTH DAY

Memorial Service

Sikeston, Mo., October 7, 1923.

Opening—The Conference was called to order at three o'clock, J. M. Bradley presiding, by appointment of the Bishop.

The Congregation sang "How Firm a Foundation," and "Jesus, Lover of My Soul." H. L. Taylor led in prayer.

Question 14—*What preachers have died during the year?*
T. P. Hill and W. E. Judy.

Memoirs—The Committee on Memoirs submitted their report. The names of T. P. Hill, W. E. Judy, Mrs. T. P. Hill, J. N. Sitton, a local preacher, and Frank W. Brickey, a layman, had been referred to the Committee. Written memorials of these were read and handed to the Secretary. Loving tribute was paid to them, by many of those who were present.

Closing—Hymn five hundred and eighty-one was sung, and after the benediction, pronounced by N. B. Henry, the Conference adjourned to meet after the preaching services of the evening.

FIFTH DAY—EVENING SESSION

Sikeston, Mo., October 7, 1923.

Opening—The Conference convened at 9 p. m., at the conclusion of the preaching service. Hymn three hundred and ninety-one, "I the Good Fight Have Fought" was sung.

The minutes of the fourth day, evening session, and of the Fifth day, Memorial Service, were read and approved.

QUESTION 18—*What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been ordained deacons?*

Traveling preachers: None.

Local preachers: Jesse L. Finley and Acton E. Middlebrooks.

QUESTION 20—*What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been ordained elders?*

Traveling preachers: Ferdinand J. Banta, Frederick W. Grampp, Joseph C. McDaniel.

Local preachers: James L. Wolverton.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION—The Bishop presented the following Certificate of Ordination for record:

> This is to certify, that I, William F. McMurry, one of the bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, did at Sikeston, Missouri, on October 7th, 1923, in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, following the sermon at 11 o'clock A. M., ordain to the office of Deacon in the Church of God, Jesse L. Finley and Acton E. Middlebrooks, local preachers. At the same time and place Joseph M. Willard, a local deacon from the Methodist Episcopal Church, assumed the vows without the re imposition of hands.
>
> I also certify, that at the same time and place, assisted by the elders present, I ordained to the office of Elder in the Church of God, Ferdinand J. Banta, Frederick W. Grampp, Joseph C. McDaniel, traveling preachers, and James L. Wolverton, local preacher.
>
> Harley E. Copeland, a local elder from the Methodist Episcopal Church, assumed the vows without the re-imposition of hands.
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> Done at Sikeston, Mo., this, the 6th day of October, 1923.
>
> (Signed) WM. F. MCMURRY.

COMMITTEE OF THE SECOND YEAR—J. R. Spann nominated J. M. Bradley as a member of the Examining Committee for the Second Year, in place of Elmer Peal, located.

J. R. Spann also announced that F. P. Cook, who was admitted on trial at this session of the Conference, had passed an approved examination on the course of study for the second year, which, the Bishop announced, passed Brother Cook to the class of the third year, without decreasing the time he will serve on probation.

BOARD OF FINANCE—H. E. Ryan presented report No. 2 of the Board of Finance, which was received, and the recommendations made were approved. The report follows:

Report of the Board of Finance No. 2—Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Balance, 1922	$ 575.15
Conference Claimant's 6% Fund	9,327.46
St. Louis Conference Trustees	1,258.75
Proceeds Publishing House	531.91
	$11,693.27

DISBURSEMENTS

To Conference Claimants	$11,020.00
To Arcadia Assembly	100.00
To Emergency Fund	573.27
	$11,693.27

APPROPRIATIONS TO CLAIMANTS

SUPERANNUATES	Years of Service	Gen. Bd. Paid	Con. Bd. Paid
Berry, C. C., Valley Park, Mo.	21	$ 18.58	$230.00
Biffle, S. C., Bismarck, Mo.	42	37.17	340.00
Blaese, M. M., East Prairie, Mo.	18	15.93	340.00
Carpenter, R. C., Eureka, Mo.	26	23.01	285.00
Cunningham, W. H., Campbell, Mo.	25	22.12	255.00
Godbey, A. H., Carrsville, Ky.	22	19.47	235.00
Godbey, J. E., Kirkwood, Mo.	51	45.13	340.00
King, J. M., Bloomfield, Mo.	20	17.70	290.00
King, W. L., Birchtree, Mo.	9	7.96	255.00
McCann, Z. T., Salem, Mo.	43	38.05	340.00
Paschal, W. H., Birchtree, Mo.	36	31.86	340.00
Rinkel, E. J., Alva, Fla.	31	27.43	340.00
Robinson, A. M., Irondale, Mo.	34	30.09	285.00
Talley, W. F., Fredericktown, Mo.	16	14.16	285.00
Tyler, W. S., Lagrange, Ill.	20	17.70	340.00
Walton, Reuben, Fredericktown, Mo.	39	34.51	340.00
Vaughan, J. R. A., Cape Girardeau, Mo.	50		100.00
WIDOWS			
Barnes, Mrs. A. H., Fredericktown, Mo.	3	1.77	200.00
Court, Mrs. Wm., Nashville, Tenn.	19	11.19	280.00
Cox, Mrs. Sarah, Datto, Ark.	18	10.60	200.00
Croft, Mrs. Fannie, Parma, Mo.	5	2.94	135.00
Davis, Mrs. L. H., Arcadia, Mo.	23	13.55	235.00
Denton, Mrs. J. C., St. Louis, Mo.	24	14.14	290.00
DeVinney, Mrs. C. S., St. Louis, Mo.	13	7.66	240.00
Early, Mrs. J. H., Memphis, Tenn.	23	13.55	290.00
Eddlemon, Mrs. M. A., St. Louis, Mo.	41	24.15	235.00
Glass, Mrs. T. W., Hornersville, Mo.	33	19.44	290.00
Green, Mrs. Ella P., Oakland, Cal.	21	12.37	175.00
Jenkins, Mrs. J. A., Holladay, Tenn.	7	4.12	155.00
Jenkinson, Mrs. Hallie, Festus, Mo.	4	2.36	260.00
Judy, Mrs. W. E., Steelville, Mo.	20	8.84	290.00
Lee, Mrs. J. W., St. Louis, Mo.	44	25.92	290.00
Renfro, Mrs. Alice M., St. Joseph	12	7.07	200.00
Russell, Mrs. Lizzie, Lutesville	17	4.12	290.00
Singleton, Mrs. H. R., St. Louis, Mo.	19	11.19	235.00
Smith, Mrs. Myra, Poplar Bluff, Mo.	28	16.49	235.00
Stephan, Mrs. Josephus, St. Louis, Mo.	26	15.31	290.00
Steward, Mrs. J. L., Piedmont, Mo.	9	5.30	260.00
Tidwell, Mrs. A. T., St. Louis, Mo.	12	7.07	185.00
Triplett, Mrs. J. F., Carthage, Mo.	16	9.42	235.00
Truitt, Mrs. Maude E., Ashville, N. C.	5	2.94	250.00
Winstead, Mrs. J. T., West Plains, Mo.	34	20.03	225.00
ORPHANS			
Arthur Trotter's children, care of Mrs. Robt. Miller, Rolla, Mo., R. F. D.	..	....	200.00

BOARD OF MISSIONS—O. A. Bowers submitted the following report of the Board of Missions, which was adopted:

Report of the Board of Missions

The General Board of Missions is planning to hold a great Mid-Year Conference to stimulate interest in the cause of missions, and to unite the Conferences and the General Board more fully in an enthusiastic

program. Dr. R. L. Russell represented the General Board, and urges even a better understanding and closer co-operation in the tasks before the Church. The Centenary Campaign gave the Church a great vision, but it leaves a great challenge. The only way to carry out the program is the taking of specials by our churches, and we urge our pastors to take up with their congregations the continuing of all or a part of their specials. The returns from the regular assessments for missions lack more than a million dollars annually of meeting the expense of the present missionary program.

Dr. W. W. Pinson writes as follows:

"Under the inspiration of the centenary, we have entered four new fields, initiated new enterprises, home and foreign, and sent out, under the Department of General Work 138 foreign missionaries and 85 home missionaries—including wives. This has more than doubled our annual missionary budget. The appropriation for Foreign Missions, General Work, in 1919 was $563,528, for 1924 $1,403,679, including new fields. For Home Missions, the regular maintainance budget for 1919 was $133,975, and for 1924 it is $365,000.

"Yet, the income from assessment, Home and Foreign, for 1922 was only $578,765, which is $1,189,914 short of the combined budget. To provide for bare maintenance, it would require an increase in assessment of more than 150 per cent. This we cannot dare.

"Missionary Specials are our only hope when the Centenary passes. Ten thousand churches, Sunday Schools, Epworth Leagues and other groups are carrying Centenary Specials. These should be continued, wherever possible, in whole or in part. There are ten thousand more that ought to carry a definite share in this financial responsibility, for their own sakes and for the sake of the cause. We must line up solidly behind the big program for specials being laid out by the Board of Missions as its only financial hope, and do it now, so that at the end of the Centenary, we shall not be humiliated and embarrassed, but go triumphantly forward."

This year the Board of Missions began a plan for meetings at points in the Conference where it would be impossible to hold them without outside financial assistance. Each presiding elder was assured $50 for each of two meetings in his district, several meetings were held under this plan, with gratifying results. We propose to continue this work and nominate as the Committee of Evangelism: Ivan Lee Holt, William Stewart, J. T. Ricketts, Ola A. Bowers, P. A. Kasey.

This committee will have charge of the evangelistic campaign.

Reverend V. O. White, the Centenary Secretary of the Seventh Episcopal District, was before us. We urge our pastors to give him their fullest co-operation, especially in the "Pay Out Campaign" of December and January.

We recommend to the presiding elders that they accept the offer of the General Board of Missions to co-operate in a missionary program for one afternoon and night at each District Conference.

We recommend Ivan Lee Holt as a member of the Board of the Missouri Methodist Foundation.

We nominate P. A. Kasey as Conference Missionary Secretary.

We recommend L. G. Marlin as Conference Evangelist, and ask the bishop to appoint him.

We recommend H. E. Copeland as Approved Evangelist.

IVAN LEE HOLT, *Chairman.*
O. A. BOWERS, *Secretary.*

Treasurer's Report, Conference Board of Missions

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Received of W. J. Heys, Teller	$5,499.58
Received of W. J. Heys, Teller	36.74
Received of Board of Trustees	60.00
Received of Centenary Fund, November 16	1,919.62
Received of Centenary Fund, April 1	1,125.69
Received of H. H. Johnson, balance 1921-22	111.90
Received of interest on deposits	83.04
By error in checks No. 25-39	.02
	$8,836.59

DISBURSEMENTS

Checked to pastors and presiding elders	$5,700.00
Checked to specials	1,100.00
Checked to Board of Evangelists	475.00
Checked to miscellaneous expenditures	132.10
Balance in State Bank, Poplar Bluff, Mo.	1,429.49
	$8,836.59

P. A. PRICE, *Treasurer.*

Board of Mission's Appropriations for 1923-24

CAPE GIRARDEAU DISTRICT

Benton	$ 200.00
Blodgett	100.00
Maple Avenue	300.00
Commerce	100.00
Illmo	100.00
Morley	100.00
Oran	250.00
Wyatt	300.00
Total	$1,450.00

FARMINGTON DISTRICT

Bellview Circuit	$ 150.00
DeSoto	200.00
Desloge	100.00
Esther	100.00
Farmington Circuit	100.00
Leadwood	100.00
Lutesville and Glen Allen	100.00
Marquand	100.00
Plattin Circuit	100.00
Potosi Circuit	200.00
Sedgewickville Circuit	100.00
York Chapel	150.00
Total	$1,500.00

POPLAR BLUFF DISTRICT

Campbell	$ 200.00
Clarkton Circuit	200.00
Essex	100.00
Hayti	300.00
Parma	100.00
Total	$ 900.00

ST. LOUIS DISTRICT

Clayton	$ 250.00
New Haven	100.00
Eureka and Crescent	150.00
Marvin Memorial	100.00
Vinita Park	500.00
Washington	50.00
Total	$1,150.00

WEST PLAINS DISTRICT

Presiding elder	$ 600.00
Birch Tree Circuit	100.00
Bourbon Circuit	300.00
Couch Circuit	150.00
Ellington Circuit	150.00
Houston	300.00
Labaddie and Gray Summit	200.00
Licking Circuit	200.00
St. James	300.00
West Plains Circuit	100.00
Total	$2,400.00

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS

Columbia Foundation	$500.00
Arcadia Assembly	200.00
Summer School for Pastors	200.00
Board of Evangelism for meetings	500.00
Miscellaneous expense	200.00

IVAN LEE HOLT, *President.*
OLA A. BOWERS, *Secretary.*

PUBLICATION OF MINUTES—Clarence Burton nominated Arthur Mather and Fletcher S. Crowe to serve with the Secretary of the Conference as the Committee on Publication of the Minutes, and they were elected.

RESOLUTION—Clarence Burton offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

> WHEREAS, In the wisdom of the Church, apparent need in other fields has called for the transfer of three of our brethren, native to our Conference, and of long and most highly appreciated association: R. P. Basler, C. N. Clark and Marvin T. Haw;
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> *Resolved,* That we hereby record our high esteem of them as ministers, and as men of God; and, further,
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> Our deep regret that our fellowship, which has been so full of helpful confidence and spiritual uplift must be severed.
>
> CLARENCE BURTON,
> J. C. MONTGOMERY.

DR. WAINWRIGHT—J. R. A. Vaughan spoke words of appreciation of S. H. Wainwright, who had suffered the loss of all his belongings in the disastrous earthquake in Japan during the past August. The motion was made and carried that a free-will offering be taken and sent to Dr. Wainwright. The offering taken amounted to $104.00. On motion duly seconded Arthur Mather and F. S. Crowe were constituted custodians of the fund, with instruction to properly forward the amount to him, together with a letter of greetings and good wishes.

RESOLUTION—John McCarthy presented a resolution which, after being amended by motion of J. C. Montgomery, was unanimously adopted by a rising vote. The resolution, as amended, follows:

> For six days the city of Sikeston has given the St. Louis Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, its best. The beauty of the city, the comfort of its homes, the courtesy of its schools as reflected in the geniality of its young people, the superb church, and the greetings and the unfailing courtesies have won all hearts.
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> We accept all this as offered to our Master, to His sacred cause, and to His servants for His sake; and as we part we ask God's blessings upon these, our friends, upon their children, their business and their public life, and pray, not without hope, that the spirit of Christ, not to be confined within church walls, but abroad in the city's life, may be counted the city's best possession.
>
> We record our obligation to Reverends A. C. Johnson, presiding elder, and T. B. Mather, pastor of this church, and the hospitable people who have opened their homes to us; to the Lion's Club for the automobile tour; to the Sikeston Herald and the Sikeston Standard. for publicity given the

Conference. We express our appreciation of the services rendered us by our visiting connectional brethren: E. F. Sensabaugh, G. L. Morelock, Dr. Stonewall Anderson, and to Dr. C. C. Grimes for the great opening sermon, and finally to Bishop Ainsworth for his helpful and inspiring addresses delivered during the sessions of the Conference.

JOHN MCCARTHY,
J. C. MONTGOMERY.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES—The minutes of the evening session were read and approved.

Hymn two hundred and twenty-two, "Jesus, the Name High Over All," was sung, and Thomas Lord led the Conference in prayer.

QUESTION 43—*Where are the preachers stationed this year?*

After some very helpful and timely remarks, the Bishop read the appointments, after which the Doxology was sung, the benediction was pronounced by Bishop McMurry and the Conference adjourned *sine die.*

THOSE WHO ARE SUPERANNUATED—C. C. Berry, S. C. Biffle, M. M. Blaese, R. C. Carpenter, W. H. Cunningham, A. H. Godbey, J. E. Godbey, J. M. King, W. L. King, Z. T. McCann, A. M. Robinson, E. J. Rinkel, W. F. Talley, W. H. Paschall, W. S. Tyler, J. R. A. Vaughan, Reuben Walton.

APPOINTMENTS

(Figures on the right indicate the number of years on the charge and a star indicates an appropriation for the Board of Missions.)

Cape Girardeau District

A. C. Johnson, P. E.

Advance, W. H. Hansford (2)
Bridges and New Prospect, C. C. Bone, Supply (1)
Bell City Circuit, J. L. Batten, Supply (1)
Benton*, T. G. Peterson (3)
Bertrand, J. F. E. Bates (2)
Blodgett, W. C. McKenzie, Supply (1)
Cape Girardeau, Centenary, J. R. Spann (2); Maple Avenue, J. A. Baxter (1); Third Church, F. J. Stattler (2)
Chaffee, D. M. Margraves, Supply (1)
Charleston, L. R. Jenkins (7)
Charleston Circuit, to be supplied
Commerce*, Nat Buckley (1)
East Prairie and Anniston, F. P. Cook (1)
Fornfelt, L. D. Nichol (2)
Illmo*, R. L. Smith (2)
Jackson, P. A. Kasey (4)
Jackson Circuit, J. P. McDonald, Supply (2)
Lilbourn Circuit, A. W. Russell, Supply (1)
Marble Hill Circuit, T. P. Ralph, Supply (1)
Morley*, D. E. Cannaday (1)
New Madrid, W. A. Humphreys (2)

Oak Ridge Circuit, J. R. Kincaide (3)
Oran*, B. L. Wright (1)
Portageville, R. J. Blunt (1)
Portageville Circuit, C. E. Harris, Supply (1)
Sikeston, T. B. Mather (3)
Sikeston Circuit, to be supplied
Vanduser and Richwoods, S. S. Johnston, Supply (1)
Whitewater Circuit, H. M. Andrews, Supply (1)
Wyatt*, J. S. Newsome (1)
Zalma Circuit, J. H. Mills, Supply (1)
District Superintendent Children's Home Society, C. L. Dennis
Secretary Board of Missions, R. L. Russell
Conference Superintendent of Sunday Schools, R. L. Duckworth
Student Southern Methodist University, B. L. Schubel
Conference Society of Education, L. R. Jenkins

Farmington District

J. N. Broadhead, P. E. (1)

Arcadia, N. B. Henry (2)
Bellview Circuit*, F. D. Stickney
Bismarck-Irondale, J. W. Ham (3)
Bonne Terre, J. T. Evitts (2)
Caledonia, to be supplied
DeSoto*, W. J. Velvick (2)
Desloge*, J. C. McDaniels (1)
Elvins, J. A. Brown (3)
Esther*, C. D. Thomasson, Supply (1)
Farmington*, C. P. Thogmorton (4)
Farmington Circuit, Linus Eaker (1)
Festus, H. E. Ryan (2)
Flat River, Wm. Stewart (4)
Fredericktown, T. E. Smith (1)
Fredericktown Circuit, Earl Locke, Supply (1)
Hematite Circuit, J. E. Ellis (1)
Herculaneum, D. R. Wasson (2)
Ironton and Patterson, G. Kelly Robinson (2)
Leadwood*, J. C. Reid (3)
Lowndes and Liberty, S. W. Maynard, Supply (1)
Lutesville and Glen Allen*, J. A. Wood (1)
Marquand Circuit*, J. D. Doherty (4)
Piedmont and Coldwater, F. M. Love (1)
Plattin Circuit*, L. M. Myers, Supply (1)
Potosi Circuit*, Geo. Walker (1)
Sedgewickville Circuit*, J. L. Finlay, Supply (2)
York Chapel*, J. G. Craig, Supply (2)
Student Secretary State University, L. E. Murphy
Professor Marvin College, A. E. Middlebrooks
District Superintendent Anti-Saloon League, A. S. J. Baldridge
District Superintendent Children's Home Society, C. J. Barham

Poplar Bluff District

H. P. Crowe, P. E. (3)

Bernie, A. N. Burris, Supply (2)
Bloomfield, J. W. Duncan (4)
Bloomfield Circuit, R. E. Carpenter (2)
Bragg City Circuit, J. L. Wolverton, Supply (1)
Campbell*, H. L. Taylor (2)
Cardwell Circuit, W. M. Edmondson, Supply (1)
Caruthersville, Lloyd Marlin (1)
Clarkton Circuit, G. B. Sherman (2)
Cooter Circuit, L. W. Stafford, Supply (1)
Deering, J. A. Scamahorn, Supply (1)
Dexter, C. P. Kirkendall (1)
Doniphan, T. L. Bess (2)
Doniphan Circuit, A. Hutton, Supply (1)
Essex*, F. M. Mayfield (3)

Gideon, M. A. Myers (4)
Harkey's Circuit, J. W. Fulton (1)
Holcomb Circuit, F. J. Banta (2)
Hornersville, A. B. Halton (1)
Hayti*, A. B. Culbertson (3)
Kennett, Clarence Burton (1)
Malden, J. T. Ricketts (4)
Morehouse, H. W. Doss (3)
Naylor and Neelyville, J. D. Eudaley, Supply (2)
Oxley Circuit, A. R. Saunders, Supply (4)
Parma*, J. A. Hill, Supply (2)
Poplar Bluff, P. G. Thogmorton (4)
Poplar Bluff Circuit, W. A. Wilmore, Supply (1)
Senath, J. T. Self (1)
Steele, C. N. Gains (3)

St. Louis District

Frank L. Wells, P. E. (1)

Arlington, F. S. Crowe (4)
Bellefountaine, John McCarthy (1)
Bridgeton, to be supplied
Cabanne, R. B. Kimbrell (1)
Centenary, C. W. Tadlock (5)
Christy Memorial, R. E. Foard (5)
Clayton*, C. J. Dohn (2)
Eureka and Crescent*, D. R. Davis (2)
Ferguson, Arthur Mather (2)
Grand Avenue, E. H. Orear (2)
Haven Street, O. H. Duggins (1); W. Q. Donnon, Supernumerary
Immanuel, O. A. Bowers (1)
Kingdom House, J. M. Bradley (2)
Kirkwood, H. H. Johnson (2)
Lafayette Park, G. E. Cameron (1)
Manchester and Bethel, C. D. Hewitt, Supply (1)
Marvin Memorial*, C. C. Fesler (4)
Mt. Auburn, J. Linn Haw (4)
New Haven*, F. W. Grampp (2)
St. John's, Ivan Lee Holt (6)
St. Paul's*, J. D. Tussey (3)
Scrugg's, R. C. George (2)
Shaw Avenue, J. O. Ensor (2)
Stephen Memorial, W. J. Heys (7)
University City, W. E. Sullens (2)
Valley Park, Fred Eaker (1)
Vinita Park*, R. E. Ledbetter (2)
Wagoner Place, S. M. Robinson (2)
Washington*, Thos. Lord (1)
District Superintendent Children's Home Society, J. W. Worsnop
Secretary Board of Finance, L. E. Todd
Editor Christian Advocate, A. F. Smith
Missionary to Japan, S. H. Wainwright
Publicity Secretary, Missionary Centenary, E. T. Clark
Student Northwestern University, A. C. Gayle
Industrial Society Church Federation, St. Louis, J. R. Bullington

West Plains District

W. E. Brown, P. E.

Alton and Thomasville, J. H. Jones (2)
Anutt Circuit, W. V. Gaston, Supply (1)
Birch Tree Circuit*, H. H. Brower (1)
Bourbon Circuit*, C. R. Baker (3); J. J. Willis, Junior Preacher
Cabool Circuit, J. M. Willard, Supply (1)
Chaonia Circuit, G. M. Brooks, Supply (1)
Couch Circuit*, W. R. Duncan (1)
Ellington Circuit*, D. B. Kazee (1)
Eminence, David T. Morrison (1)
Grandin Circuit, H. G. Stewart, Supply (1)
Houston*, Dawson C. Bryan (1)
Labaddie and Gray Summit*, R. D. Kennedy (1)
Licking Circuit*, John Wheary, Supply (2)

Red Bird Circuit, Fred Andrews, Supply (3)

Salem, I. C. Bradsher (2)

St. Clair, J. A. Bertram (1)

St. James*, H. E. Stone (1)

Summersville Circuit, C. Marvin Burton (1)

Thayer, H. P. Waits (1)

Van Buren Circuit, M. P. Smotherman, Supply (1)

West Plains, J. C. Montgomery (1)

West Plains Circuit*, A. W. Selby, Supply (1)

Williamsville and Greenville, Smith Givan (3)

CONDENSED MINUTES

of the Seventy-sixth Session of the St. Louis Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, held at Sikeston, Mo., beginning October 3, 1923, ending October 7, 1923; Bishop W. F. McMurry, President; Clarence Burton, Secretary; Postoffice of Secretary, Kennett, Mo.

I. Probationers

Question 1. Who are admitted on trial? *Answer:* Nat T. Buckley, James F. E. Bates, Fred J. Stattler, Francis P. Cook, Calvin N. Gaines, Rufus E. Carpenter, Charles M. Burton, Herbert H. Brower, Jesse J. Willis, John A. Bertram.

Ques. 2. Who else is in the class of the first year? Eugene H. Farmer, Harvey Eli Stone.

Ques. 3. Who remain on trial? B. L. Schubel, G. Kelly Robinson, Francis M. Love, D. E. Cannaday, A. E. Middlebrooks, Robert J. Blunt.

Ques. 4. Who else is in the class of the second year? James C. Reid, John E. Ellis.

Ques. 5. Who are discontinued? Roy T. Johnson.

II. Conference Membership

Ques. 6. Who are admitted into full connection? None.

Ques. 7. Who else is in the class of the third year? None.

Ques. 8. Who are readmitted? Elmer T. Clark.

Ques. 9. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? A. B. Holtom, elder, from North Arkansas Conference; C. W. Webdell, elder, from Memphis Conference; A. C. Johnson, elder from Missouri Conference; H. P. Waits, elder, from North Alabama Conference; R. B. Kimbrell, elder from Southwest Missouri Conference; J. A. Baxter, elder, from Northwest Conference; W. R. Duncan, elder, from North Alabama Conference; Frank L. Wells, elder, from Virginia Conference; A. C. Gayle, elder, from Illinois Conference.

Ques. 10. Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? None.

Ques. 11. Who are located this year? J. B. Wilburn, Elmer Peal.

Ques. 12. Who have withdrawn or been expelled? Withdrawn, G. A. McFarland.

Ques. 13. Who are transferred to other Conferences? R. P. Basler, elder, to the Missouri Conference; C. N. Clark, elder, to Western Virginia Conference; M. F. Crowe, elder, to Missouri Conference; M. T. Haw, elder, to the Missouri Conference; W. D. Humphrey, elder, to the Illinois Conference.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the year? W. E. Judy, T. P. Hill.

III. Orders

Ques. 15. Who are the deacons of one year? Joseph H. Jones, F. D. Stickney, F. M. Mayfield.

Ques. 16. Who else is in the class of the fourth year? None.

Ques. 17. What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been elected deacons? Traveling preachers, none. Local preachers, Jesse L. Finley, Acton E. Middlebrooks.

Ques. 18. What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been ordained deacons? Traveling preachers, none. Local preachers, Jesse L. Finley, Acton E. Middlebrooks. Joseph M. Willard, a local deacon from the Methodist Episcopal Church, assumed the vows without the re-imposition of hands.

Ques. 19. What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been elected elders? Traveling preachers, Ferdinand J. Banta, Frederick W. Grampp, Joseph C. McDaniel. Local preachers, James L. Wolverton.

Ques. 20. What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been ordained elders? Traveling preachers, Ferdinand J. Banta, Frederick W. Grampp, Joseph C. McDaniel. Local preachers, James L. Wolverton. Harley E. Copeland, a local elder from the Methodist Episcopal Church, assumed the vows without the re-imposition of hands.

IV. Conference Relations

Ques. 21. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? The names of all the preachers were called, one by one, their work reported, and their characters passed with the exception of C. D. McGehee.

Ques. 22. Who are supernumerary? W. Q. Donnan.

Ques. 23. Who are superannuated? C. C. Berry, S. C. Biffle, M. M. Blaese, R. C. Carpenter, W. H. Cunningham, J. E. Godbey, A. H. Godbey, J. M. King, W. L. King, Z. T. McCann, W. F. Talley, W. S. Tyler, A. M. Robinson, W. H. Paschall, E. J. Rinkel, J. R. A. Vaughan, R. Walton.

V. Statistics

Ques. 24. What is the number of districts, of pastoral charges, and of societies in this Conference? District, 5; pastoral charges, 140; societies, 310.

Ques. 25. How many have been licensed to preach, and what is the number of local preachers and of members? Licensed, 8; local preachers, 81; members, 43,292.

Ques. 26. How many adults and how many infants have been baptized during the year? Adults, 1,552; infants, 673.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Epworth Leagues and of Epworth League members? Epworth Leagues, 157; Epworth League members, 5,236.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday Schools, of Sunday School officers and teachers, and of Sunday School scholars enrolled during the year? Sunday schools, 240; officers and teachers, 2,774; scholars enrolled, 37,288.

Ques. 29. What is the number of Woman's Missionary Societies, and what is the number of members of the same? Societies, 116; members, 3,319.

Ques. 30. What are the educational statistics? Institutions, 1 2/3; teachers, 41; students, 587; value of property, $723,000; endowment, $605,000; indebtedness, $54,000.

Ques. 31. What are the orphanage statistics? Orphanages, 2; officers and teachers, 9; children in orphanages, 180; value of property, $150,000.

Ques. 32. What are the hospital statistics? Hospitals, 1; officers and nurses, 150; beds, 250; patients, 4,206; money expended, $385,511; value of property, $1,018,681; endowment, $1,198,814.

VI. Finances

Ques. 33. What has been contributed for the following causes? Foreign Missions, $8,286.81; Home and Conference Missions, $10,568.05; Church Extension, $5,045.43; Education, $16,183.64; American Bible Society, $675.19; General Conference expense, $721.96; by the Woman's Missionary Society, $61,348.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of the ministry? Bishops, $2,310.26; presiding elders, $19,470; preachers in charge, $173,320; Conference claimants, $9,327.46; Superannuate Endowment Fund, $2,626.29.

Ques. 35. What is the grand total contributed for all purposes from all sources in this Conference this year? $772,193.

VII. Church Property

Ques. 36. What is the number of houses of worship, their value, and the amount of indebtedness thereon? Houses of worship, 288; value, $2,213,450; indebtedness, $92,212.

Ques. 37. What is the number of parsonages, their value, and the amount of indebtedness thereon? District parsonages, 2; value, $9,000; indebtedness, $2,000; parsonages belonging to pastoral charges, 121; value, $331,750; indebtedness, $40,934.

Ques. 38. What amount of insurance is carried on church property, and what amount has been paid out in premiums? Insurance carried, $1,624,610; premiums paid, $8,061.

Ques. 39. How many churches and parsonages have been damaged or destroyed during the year, what is the amount of damage, and what has been collected thereon? Churches damaged, 6; parsonages damaged, 0; amount of damage, $6,477; collected, $3,577.

Ques. 40. What is the number of superannuate homes, and what is their value? Homes, 1; value, $1,200.

VIII. Miscellaneous

Ques. 41. Who is elected Conference Lay Leader? J. Will Pierce, Cape Girardeau.

Ques. 42. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? West Plains.

Ques. 43. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.

APPENDIX

REPORTS OF THE PRESIDING ELDERS

Cape Girardeau District

There are 30 charges in the Cape Girardeau District; these are served by 19 members of the Conference and by 11 supplies.

The present presiding elder has been on the district since May 1, and has held all of the third and fourth quarterly conferences, besides many special and adjourned sessions. During the five months I have visited all but 10 of the churches of the district. I have never seen a larger opportunity for our Methodism than that presented in the Cape Girardeau District. We should possess the land.

The report on the Conference collections is not what it should be. Only six of the charges report in full, these are, Benton, Centenary, Cape Girardeau, Charleston Station, Illmo, Jackson Station, and Sikeston.

One thousand, nine hundred and eight dollars and twenty-five cents have been paid on the Christian education pledges during the year, and $5,245.26 have been paid on the Centenary pledges.

Five hundred and ninety-three have been received into the Church during the year, and 504 have been dismissed.

Items of Special Interest

A new church valued at $4,000 is nearing completion at Delta. Bertrand has paid a debt of $6,000. The church was dedicated Sunday, September 30. Illmo has made extensive repairs on the church and parsonage, $2,246 was raised for this purpose. Two school buildings have been purchased, one at Westmoreland, the other at Zalma; the one at Westmoreland has been converted into a beautiful church building; that at Zalma will be. A good six-room parsonage has been built and partially furnished at Morley.

One standard training school has been held, with an attendance 133; 70 made credits. An epoch making meeting was that of the older boys and girls at New Madrid; 143 of the young people of the district were in attendance. One non-standard training school was held at Bertrand; 11 credits were given. A superintendents' meeting was held at Sikeston with 20 of the superintendents of the district present. Three men have been recommended for admission on trial.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Johnson.

Farmington District

The Farmington District as at present constituted comprises 27 charges, 38 church buildings, and 26 parsonages.

There has been expended on this property the past year on improvements alone $10,441. In addition to this Arcadia is building on Fort Hill a church to cost above $10,000. Ironton is ready to begin a church to cost not less than $10,000. A building has been bought at Pevely to be converted into a church at a cost of $2,500. DeSoto has built a $5,500 parsonage.

Seven hundred and fifty dollars have been spent in improvements on the district parsonage, and $900 for a district tent.

There are 50 Sabbath Schools, with an increased attendance over last year. Twenty-seven of these observed Sunday School Day with an offering which in most instances should have been larger.

In April a training school for Sunday School workers was held in the High School building at Flat River. There was an attendance of 100 and some 33 received credits.

There are 23 Senior Epworth Leagues in the district with 855 members. Ten Intermediate and Junior Leagues with a membership of 437. The leagues have contributed $500 to missions. St. Francois and Jefferson Counties each have league unions.

We have 18 Women's Missionary Societies with a membership of 440. These devoted women give impetus to every department of the Church's work.

The following charges have paid Conference assessments and salaries in full: Farmington, Fredericktown, Flat River, Bonne Terre, Festus and Ironton.

The following paid 50 to 70 per cent on Conference claims: De Soto, Arcadia, Piedmont, Herculaneum and Potosi.

The following in addition to the half dozen above mentioned have paid salaries in full: DeSoto, Bismarck, Desloge, Elvins, Piedmont, Herculaneum, Arcadia, Plattin Circuit and Leadwood. In all 15.

The Centenary payments for the year amount to $5,486.

The district has paid Marvin College on special directed pledges $7,500, and on undirected educational pledges, $615. Five thousand dollars was raised in Fredericktown for Marvin College.

Fifty revival meetings have been held in the district resulting in 1,280 professions of faith, and 812 accessions to the Church. Seven of these were tent meetings, conducted by evangelists, and were attended by thousands of people. Most of the tent meetings assumed a union character and many joined other churches. One young man was licensed to preach and one recommended for admission on trial.

While there is large room for improvement in this report, the preachers for the most part have wrought valiantly not sparing themselves. They have been uniformly kind and obliging to the elder, and it is with a tinge of regret that we close the quadrennium.

O. H. DUGGINS,

Poplar Bluff District

This district is composed of 28 pastoral charges, in which are 48 churches. Fifteen of these charges are supplied by Conference men, 13 by supplies.

A splendid new church building is being completed at Campbell, which is a credit to Methodism in this section of the country. A new building at Cardwell has been completed. Plans have already been made for a new building at Arbyrd, $550 in cash has been raised, and as an additional asset ten acres of cotton is being cultivated by the Church people, the proceeds of which will be used for the new building. At Tatum Chapel a new building is being enterprised, $700 is already on hand towards the new building. The Caruthersville people are talking of a $75,000 church building to be erected in the next eighteen months. Hayti has purchased a valuable lot on which to construct their new building.

Some old church debts have been paid, and one church dedicated—the church at Bernie.

There are 44 Sunday Schools in the district, and 4 union schools in which our people are participants.

There are 36 Leagues, 21 senior, 11 junior, and 4 intermediates, comprising a little more than 1,700 leaguers.

On the Centenary there has been paid $4,919.51, and on the educational campaign, $816.

Forty-one revival meetings were held, in which about 650 converts joined the Church.

Two young men were licensed to preach during the year, and three came to us from other churches.

The finances of the district are in good shape. A grand total for the year of approximately $98,000 has been raised, an increase of approximately 20 per cent.

There are 33 auxiliaries of the Women's Missionary Society, with a membership of approximately 650.

H. P. Crowe.

St. Louis District

St. Louis County churches have received special attention this year—the first year that the entire county has been in the district. The laymen of the district have helped to keep the churches on circuits open practically every Sunday.

The results have been highly gratifying. The number of additions to the St. Louis County churches has been 432, which is more than twice the number received last year and the finances have been decidedly better—every church in the county paying all claims in full. In ten years this county will be the most populous Methodist county in the Conference, if wisely administered.

Two churches in the district have had unfortunate contentions, which resulted in the abandonment of their programs by the pastors and the loss of zeal and enthusiasm for the year's work on the part of the people, other-

wise zealous and enthusiastic. The sin of contention has been highly emphasized by the breakdown in the morale of these congregations.

Southern Methodists led all Protestant denominations in number of additions from Easter to Easter in St. Louis and St. Louis County, as reported by the Church Federation.

Our people now number 14,739 and are a lively and militant force in all moral and civic affairs.

I have missed nothing in the line of my official work and attended many Missionary, Epworth League, Sunday School, Lay and Interdenominational meetings, which demand the attention of the presiding elder of such a district as the St. Louis.

All departments have shown good numerical growth during the year, and the quadrenium. There have been 2,447 additions to the Church as against 1,244 in 1919. The total amount contributed by the district this year is $432,000 as against $159,902 the year before I came on the district. The district contributed $904.50 for the relief of Dr. S. H. Wainwright, who was a victim of the Japanese earthquake. We estimate that an equal amount was contributed by our churches through the Red Cross. The district has had 150 Life Service Volunteers during the quadrenium, and could, I think have many more if we could help them to prepare for their work. Last year the district supported nine of these volunteers at Marvin College. This year the district is supporting seven there, with the hope of placing three more for the second term.

We held a successful standard school for leaders, under the direction of our Conference Sunday School Superintendent, Rev. R. L. Duckworth. It was valuable to our work.

During the quadrenium three new churches have been built, Stephan, Arlington and Clayton, and more than ten thousand in good subscriptions for a new church at Vinita Park, and a good parsonage secured at Vinita. Plans are well under way for a substantial addition to Centenary, our great downtown church. Eureka has a new church well advanced. Crescent Church burned during the plans. Plans are well advanced to replace this church. Kirkwood, Washington and Lafayette have redecorated and remodelled their churches.

MARVIN T. HAW.

West Plains District

Members added: By profession of faith, 283; by letter, 159; total, 442.

Charges paying in full Conference collections and the assessments for ministerial support: Alton Circuit, Anutt Circuit, Houston, Monteer Circuit, Salem, St. Clair, St. James and Mill Creek, West Plains.

Charges which paid salary (only) in full: Bourbon Circuit, Licking Circuit, Thayer, Van Buren, Labaddie and Gray's Summit.

Charges which paid Conference collections (only) in full: Cabool Circuit, Ellington Circuit.

Standard schools, 2; non-standard schools, 2; credits, 117.

Churches rebuilt, 1; churches repaired, 3; churches dedicated, 1; parsonages built, 1, at Van Buren; parsonages bought, 2, district parsonage at West Plains, and the one at Thayer; parsonages remodelled and repaired, 2. West Plains, Labaddie and Gray's Summit.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. E. Brown, *Presiding Elder.*

MEMOIRS

William Edwin Judy

On a farm near Olney, Illinois, February 11, 1871, there was born to John and Eliza Smith-Judy, a son to whom the proud parents gave the name William Edwin—a name the son ever kept unsullied. The parents were not Christians, but the son made good use of the opportunities afforded by the public schools, to which he added two years at Hayward College, Fairfield, Ill.

In 1873, the family came to Missouri and settled in what is now Carondelet Park, which the father helped to build. Later they moved to a farm near Hillsboro, and there resided for many years.

In March, 1895, under the ministry of Rev. Cadis S. Molls, then serving the Hematite charge, William was soundly converted, and at once united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Hillsboro. Ever after he belonged to the Church—in no sense did it belong to him.

On May 4, 1898, he joined Company C, First Missouri Infantry, U. S. Volunteers. He served until the close of the Spanish-American War, and on October 31, 1898, was honorably discharged at St. Louis. He had felt his call to the ministry, and on April 9, 1898, was licensed to preach at the District Conference held at Farmington, Mo. Feeling his lack of qualifications for the itinerancy, he entered Marvin College in September, 1899, where he pursued his studies until June, 1902. He was a faithful, law-abiding student, and by his upright life, won the high esteem, not only of the faculty and the student body, but of the citizens of Fredericktown.

At the Conference held at Malden in 1902, Bishop Wilson presiding, he was admitted on trial in the St. Louis Conference, and appointed to Hayti Circuit. A short two months after he received his first appointment, he was very fortunately joined in holy wedlock with Miss Alice Sheible, of Hillsboro. For several years they had been sweethearts in the noblest sense of the expression. During all those years, she encouraged him in his puprose in every way that she could. Four children were born to them, all of whom are living with their mother in Fredericktown, the eldest of whom, Miss Alice, is teaching in the public schools of that city. Following her come Alverda, Nelson and Marvin. His father is still living, and resides at St. James, Mo. His two sisters, Mrs. Lon McKee and Mrs. Charles Null reside in DeSoto, Mo., while his brother John lives in Bonne Terre.

Brother Judy did a good work at Hayti, as indeed, he did wherever he was sent. By most preachers some of his appointments were considered

hard; but not so by him, he never complained about his appointment. To him, it was considered as sent by the Lord, and that made it good enough. Many of his appointments were such as were sought after by those preachers who seek good appointments. At Hornersville he built a pleasant home for the preacher. He was serving his second year at Steelville, Mo., when on the 19th of February, 1923, he heard the Father's voice calling him home, and now his body rests in peace at Hillsboro, Mo.

He was ordained a deacon by Bishop Galloway, at Farmington, on September 27, 1903, and an elder at West Plains on September 22, 1907. A truer man it would be hard to find. His wife says that his strongest point as an itinerant was his faithfulness to his charge. He never neglected it. Would that this could be said of all of us. But not all of his activities were confined to the Church. He was a leader in all uplifting movements in his charge, as well as in all progressive movements in his Church. In his home he was a prince. Always a peace loving man, the warmth of his big loving heart had its fittest exhibition there.

His good judgment was manifest in all things, for it was not warped by his personal interests when they were involved. He cared nothing for the limelight; but the whisperings of the "still small voice" which he heard in his young manhood, were ever leading him, hence he was a safe man to follow His leadership was not heralded abroad, but the saints who knew him believed in him, worked with him, and were gladly led by him.

While we lament his departure from among us, let us rejoice that our dear loving Father lent him to us even these few short years. May the comforter cease not His visits to the family now that the husband and father is away.

Nelson B. Henry.

Rev. T. P. Hill and Wife

Thomas Porter Hill, was born September 8, 1839, in Henry County, Tennessee. His parents moved to Dallas County, Missouri, in wagons in 1853, settling near Long Lane. He was licensed to preach at Wesley Chapel on the Marshfield Circuit, September 17, 1859, in his twentieth year.

In the beginning of his ministry in Franklin County, Missouri, the Civil War had begun. A negro came to him and told him of a plot against his life, and on investigation finding it to be a true report, he made his way to General Price's army in Arkansas, and enlisted in Company I, Eighteenth Regiment of the Confederate forces.

He was taken prisoner at the surrender of Vicksburg, and was discharged January 26, 1866.

During the war he preached to his comrades. On one occasion he felt that he was providentially delivered in answer to prayer from a situation that seemed to be certain death. Orders called him into a lane of fire with the bullets singing the chant of death. He dropped to his knees and committed himself to God, arose, took the path of duty and the hand of the Lord brought him through unscathed.

At the close of the war he for a brief time lived in Monroe County, Ill. There he met and married Miss Josephine Lacy. They moved to Dallas County, Missouri in 1865, and settled near the old home. He was one of the faithful men in Missouri, who courageously brought the M. E. Church, South, through the trials occasioned by the war. He, and Sister Hill were with Presiding Elder Headlee, riding horseback by his side, when Headlee was shot to death by a man who still had the fires of passion and strife burning in his heart. Brother Hill served many charges in the Southwest Missouri Conference and transferred to the St. Louis Conference in 1892, serving various appointments until his superannuation in 1902. In his last days he lived at St. James, Mo., where the Federal Soldiers' Home of Missouri is located. He often preached to his former foes and was greatly esteemed by them and they were "his friends." Brother and Sister Hill were childless, but they assisted some who were dependent among their kindred and were faithful in doing good to all men. Physically, Brother Hill was rugged and strong in appearance, he was vigorous in his mentality and kept abreast of his times, religiously, politically, and socially. He was catholic in his spirit, large in his affection and sympathies. He forgave and forgot. He loved the Church and bequeathed $1,800 to the superannuate endowment fund. He had his first serious illness in 1919 from which he never entirely recovered. His death came quietly and peacefully, February 27, 1923. On March 18, 1923, less than a month later, his faithful wife followed him, aged 79 years. For fifty-nine years and a half they had walked together, sharing the toils, sacrifices and joys of the Lord's service. Sister Hill's closing days, after her husband's death were brightened by the presence, care and comfort of her niece, Mrs. Lacy Pierce, of New York City. Their pastor, Jason R. Blunt, D. R. Davis and M. H. Markley, former pastors, conducted the funeral services at St. James, Mo. Brother and Sister Hill's bodies await the resurrection morning in the Masonic Cemetery at that place.

A. Friend.

Jasper Newton Sitton

Jasper Newton, son of Harvey and Martha F. Wingo-Sitton, was born three miles east of Palmer, Washington County, Missouri, November 8, 1850. His father was one of the substantial farmers of the community. Here Jasper grew to manhood, availing himself of such opportunities as the home school afforded, and then attended school at Potosi.

On December 12, 1876, he was united in marriage to Miss Ada L., daughter of James and Minerva Russell. Soon after he moved to the State of Washington where he spent eight years. Then returning to Missouri, he lived three years at Irondale, after which he transferred his home to Oregon County, and continued his occupation as a farmer until he was converted with his wife and one child, at Garfield Church. Rev. L. L. Whitehead, a very useful local preacher, was serving the charge at that time, and held his own revival. Soon after his conversion, he was licensed to exhort, and a little later, to preach. Rev. H. A. Smith was presiding elder of the district. Brother Sitton did not think his literary qualifications sufficient to warrant him in applying for admission on trial, though a less modest man of his attainments would not

have hesitated to do so. However, he did feel that he was qualified to preach the gospel which had done so much for him, and this he did as a supply until his failing health compelled him to desist from it.

Brother Sitton was a good pastor, a successful preacher, a wise administrator, and a tireless worker. He built the church at Valles Mines, the one at Frank Clay, began the one at Leadwood, and also the one at Charter while serving the Plattin Circuit. He was more than ordinarily successful as a pastor evangelist, yet he did not neglect to "feed the sheep." His habit was to leave his work in better condition than he found it.

He was a man of such sterling worth that he had the confidence of all who knew him. It is not surprising therefore, that he was much sought after on funeral occasions. During the epidemic of 1919-20, he conducted the funeral of a family—both parents and three of their children, at the same time, and committed the five bodies into the same grave.

After a long illness following a severe surgical operation, he was transferred to the Conference of the Saints on High, Saturday, December 2, 1922. His body rests in the Masonic Cemetery at Bismarck, Mo.

Of the ten children born to Brother and Sister Sitton, the following survive: Everett A., Leadwood; Mrs. Daisy Stapp, Leadwood; Mrs. Ethel Brainard, St. Louis, Mo.; Miss Nora Sitton, Irondale; J. Ivan, Laural, Mont. Besides these is their faithful mother who shared her husband's sorrows and his joys, for forty-six years, and now awaits patiently her own translation.

Brother Sitton had the respect and love of all who knew him, and his services as a minister of the gospel, were honored by the Master whom he so efficiently served.

NELSON B. HENRY.

HON. GEO. THOMPSON LEE.

"I would rather have a plain coffin without a flower, a funeral without an eulogy, than a life without the sweetness of love and sympathy." This excerpt from Brother Lee's creed, is not only a suitable introduction to the following tribute to his life, but is quite a correct index to the simple life he lived, and awakens an echo from every true Christian's heart.

George Thompson Lee was the son of Giles and Ava Graham-Lee, who came from Kentucky to Missouri in 1824. He was born on a farm in Jefferson County, Missouri, February 22, 1844. His father gave him the best educational advantages offered by the local schools and then sent him to Arcadia High School to be trained under that prince of educators, Rev. Jerome Causin Berryman, A. M. It is almost unthinkable that a youth so fortunately endowed with intellectual and moral qualities, and so happily trained at home, should fail to reap great benefit under such fortuitous circumstances as surrounded him at Arcadia High School.

When the writer formed the acquaintance of Brother Lee, he was in the mercantile business with his brother, S. A. Lee, at Patterson, Wayne County, Mo. Later on he embarked in the same business at Mill Springs, in

the same county, where he married, November 3, 1871, Miss Martha Ann, a daughter of Capt. W. T. and Amanda Jane Nicks-Leeper. Thus his alliance was with one of the prominent families of the county.

In August, 1887, the Willow Springs branch of the Frisco, having been built to Grandin, Mr. Lee's keen perception of the future of Carter County, changed his place of business to Van Buren. Two years later, he moved his family to that place, and at once became its most influential citizen. There he opened the first bank in the county, which still abides. His influence for increased religious and educational facilities brought about better conditions, not only in Van Buren, but throughout the country.

The Methodist Church especially is a monument to his energy, wisdom, and devotion to the Church in which he was reared. He was twice sent to the State Legislature from Carter County, as he had been twice sent from Wayne County. Later on he served a term in the State Senate, in all of which he acquitted himself with great credit to his constituency.

Brother Lee was a close student of people and events, a hard, cheerful worker, and a devout Methodist. He taught his children to adore the triune God, to respect and honor the Church, to love everybody. His home was a veritable paradise. He was ever happy himself, and made everyone about him happy.

Just an hour and a half past midnight December 31, 1921, he heard the announcement of his promotion to the celestial sphere, and forthwith on rapid wing flew "away to the home on high." He leaves to mourn their loss his devoted wife, two daughters, a number of grandchildren, a brother, and a host of friends and distant relatives. The Church and community will miss him greatly, as will the state; but most of all, the needy and the helpless ones will miss him, for they need him most. He was their friend, true and faithful.

NELSON B. HENRY.

FRANKLIN W. BRICKEY

Franklin W. Brickey, one of our outstanding laymen, was born on the 16th day of July, 1844, at Brickey's Landing, Ste. Genevieve County, Missouri. His early life was spent in the vicinity of Ste. Genevieve. This was during the days when the Mississippi was the great artery of travel. On account of his associations with the captains of river industry he had a wide acquaintance reaching from St. Paul to New Orleans.

Mr. Brickey was a young man when the Civil War broke out, and on account of his southern sympathies he was made a prisoner by the Union Army for many months. Contracting an illness he was parolled and returned home.

The greater part of his life was spent in the vicinity of Festus, Mo., where he engaged in the mercantile, milling and banking business, being president of the local bank for a period of thirty years.

He was united in marriage to Miss Nettie Ellen Davis. To this union there were four sons, Judge Norval W., F. C., Dr. Paul A., and Raymond D.

For many years he has been an active member and official of the Church and a lay member, at one time, of this Conference. His love for the Sunday School was marked, serving as superintendent for a period of about thirty years—an interesting testimony of his love for children. By his thoughtfulness and care in practicing the grace of hospitality, he has endeared himself to the ministers of the St. Louis Conference. His home has been known as a preacher's home.

He was never so occupied with his business cares but that he did not take time for those things which were for the public welfare and the welfare of the Church. He loved and practiced the cardinal virtues of truth, love and charity. He was always ready to lend assistance to those in adversity. He loved and was beloved of old and young alike. This was noted by his genial greeting and by a hearty handshake, or a friendly pat on the shoulder, and a witty pleasantry.

The poor were never turned from his door. His was a character of honor and integrity tempered with rare Christian devotion to his Church.

H. E. Ryan.

STATISTICAL TABLES

Table No. I—Membership, Baptism, and Church Property

CAPE GIRARDEAU DISTRICT

CHARGES		MEMBERSHIP								CHURCH PROPERTY								INSURANCE								WOMAN'S WORK			GRAND TOTAL TABLE I
		Members Reported Last Year	Local Preachers	Additions on Profession of Faith	Additions by Certificate and Otherwise	Removals by Death and Otherwise	Present Total Membership, Including Local Preachers	Adults Baptised	Infants Baptised	No. of Congregations in Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value	Indebtedness	Value of Other Church Property	Raised for Churches and Parsonages	Property Protection carried with Ch. Ext. Board	Paid for Property Protection	Other Insurance Carried	Premiums Paid	Churches Damaged or Destr'd	Parsonages Damaged or Destr'd	Amount of Damage	Loss Collected	No. of Societies	Members	Total Amount Raised by Woman's Missionary Societies	
Advance	W. H. Hansford	235	2	17	16	21	247	14	1	1	1	$ 20,000		1	$ 5,000	$ 2,000					$ 15,000						3	55	$ 451	$ 451
Bell City	S. W. Maynard	139	1	9	4		152	9	3	3	3	6,000		1	1,000	275	$ 1,500	$ 25									1	12	45	70
Benton	T. G. Peterson	94			2	11	85			1	1	6,000	$ 400	1	1,500			116									1	23	219	335
Bertrand	J. E. F. Bates	368			8	76	300			1	1	30,000						6,100			21,000	$ 85					1	30	259	6,444
Blodgett	B. L. Wright	165	1	2	6	10	163			1	1	16,000	5,000	1	2,000						10,000	180					1	18	180	360
Bridges & New Pros.	Earl Fisher	294	3				294			1	1	1,500		1	1,200	325	75				2,500		1		$ 915	$ 915	1	18	75	75
Cape G'deau, Cent.	J. R. Spann	965		30	72	98	969	16	14	1	1	65,000	1,193				2,500	1,181			39,000	75					1	98	535	1,791
C.G'deau, Maple Av.	B. L. Schubel	89		11	6	9	97	4	3	1	1	2,500	276					15			2,000	17					1	15	156	188
Cape G'deau, Third.	F. J. Stattler	115	1	7	21	1	142	5	14	2	2	2,500									1,000	12								12
Chaffee	J. S. Newsome	295		2	12	11	295	1	3	1	1	5,000		1	2,500			50			5,000	30					1	25	140	220
Charleston	L. R. Jenkins	756	2	22	34	40	772	21	24	1	1	40,000		1	10,000	6,000	6,500			$ 28,000							3	156	1,045	1,045
Charleston Ct.	C. C. Bone	272	1		2	1	273		6	4	4	2,800																		
Commerce	J. T. Self	149	1		3	4	148			2	2	3,500		1	1,600			206			2,500	13								219
East Prairie	J. W. Fulton	403	1	5	4	30	382	2	1	2	2	4,500		2	2,800			241			2,300	4					1	13	85	330
Fornfelt	L. D. Nichol	177		9	14	6	194	4		1	1	12,000		1	2,500			688			7,900	306								994
Illmo	R. L. Smith	67		11	14	2	90	2	6	1	1	8,000	1,758	1	3,500	786		2,246			2,800	25								2,271
Jackson	P. A. Kasey	704	1	7	4	33	682	5	4	1	1	60,000	2,500	1	5,000			2,358			37,000	74			15	15	2	22	586	3,018
Jackson Ct.	J. P. McDonald	480		7	6	4	489	7	1	6	6	3,700		1	800			28												28
Lilbourn	R. D. Kennedy	135	3		46	34	147		4	3	3	4,000		1	1,200			275			2,400	35								310
Morley	J. B. Wilburn	288	1	1			289			1	1	5,000		1	2,000	400		1,600			4,000	64								1,664
New Madrid	W. A. Humphreys	308		8	12	47	281	1	4	2	1	15,000		1	3,500			332			3,700						1	30	882	1,214
Oak Ridge	J. R. Kincaide	380		13	7	74	326	10	3	4	3½	8,800		1	1,000			200			5,000	30								230
Oran	J. R. A. Vaughan	203	1	19	11	19	214	15	2	1	1	12,000						65			7,000	110					1	14	115	290
Portageville	Fred Eaker	170	1	4		3	171	2	2	1	1	4,000		1	1,500			225			2,600	54					1	20	124	403
Rockview	J. H. Mills	77	1	11	2	2	88	11	1	3	3	6,100	1,600								800	9								9
Sikeston	T. B. Mather	845		30	32	21	886	12	8	1	1	60,000		1	10,000						110,000	449					4	140	2,961	3,410
Vanduser-Richwoods	G. M. Brooks	125		20	10	3	152	12	12	2	2	3,500									2,500									
Whitewater	J. A. Wood	209		2	4	5	210		1	4	4	4,500		1	1,200	100	375	218			2,400									218
Wyatt	W. C. McKenzie	132		16	2		150	16	4	1	1	1,500		1	3,000			67			1,000						1	30	266	333
Zalma		230					230			4	4	3,000																		
Total		8,866	21	263	354	575	8,908	169	121	58	56½	$ 406,400	$12,727	22	$ 60,800	$ 9,886	$ 10,950	$ 16,436		$ 28,000	$ 291,400	$ 1,572	1		$ 930	$ 930	25	719	$ 8,124	$ 26,132
Total last year			14	864	895	516	8,866	509	138	59	56½	400,200	14,430	21	60,500	9,855	11,965	6,184			294,450	806	3	1	1,324	203	23	867	9,638	16,628
Increase			7				42					$ 6,200		1	$ 300	$ 31		$ 252		$ 28,000		$ 766			$ 727	2			$ 9,504
Decrease				601	541	59		340	3	1			$ 1,703				$ 1,015				$ 3,050		2	1	$ 394			148	$ 1,506	

Table No. II—Epworth League, Sunday School, Etc.

CAPE GIRARDEAU DISTRICT

CHARGES	Church Papers Taken		Epworth Leagues						Sunday Schools															Lay Activities			Grand Total Table II
	General Organ	Conference Organ	No. Leagues	Members	Raised for Missions	Raised on Anniversary Day	Raised for All Other Objects	Total Raised by Epworth Leagues	No. of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	No. on Cradle Roll	No. in Home Department	No. in All Other Departments	Total Enrollment in All Departments	Average Weekly Attendance	No. of Sunday School Library Books	No. of Pupils Who Have Joined Church	No. Taking Train'g Courses	No. of Wesley Classes	Amount Raised on Sunday School Day	Amount Raised for Missions	Amount Raised for All Other Purposes	Total Amount Raised by Sunday Schools	Number of Brotherhoods	Number of Members	Raised by Brotherhoods	
Advance	2	15	2	44	$ 25	$ 3	$ 47	$ 75	1	14	.....	20	225	259	110	.....	22	....	7	$ 12	$ 51	$ 151	$ 214	....	....	....	289
Bell City	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	2	12	.....	.....	64	76	30	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	36	36	....	....	....	36
Benton	1	10	1	20	.....	....	103	103	1	12	20	.....	88	120	70	.....	2	....	.....	4	51	97	152	....	....	....	255
Bertrand	1	22	1	30	.....	....	6	6	1	12	30	.....	138	180	110	48	.....	15	3	25	48	213	286	....	....	....	292
Blodgett	1	11	1	35	15	....	18	33	1	8	17	.....	93	118	47	.....	2	....	....	6	100	113	219	....	....	....	252
Bridges and New Prospect	.....	.....	1	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	8	.....	.....	62	70	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	62	72	....	....	....	72
Cape Girardeau, Centenary	.....	.....	3	86	75	5	189	269	1	52	59	47	650	808	308	50	76	18	8	52	318	516	886	....	....	....	1,155
Cape Girardeau, Maple Ave	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	13	.....	.....	151	164	88	12	8	5	....	10	27	119	156	....	....	....	156
Cape Girardeau, Third	.....	.....	1	28	.....	.....	27	27	1	8	.....	.....	81	89	52	.....	4	1	....	5	.....	96	101	....	....	....	128
Chaffee	.....	.....	1	16	.....	.....	30	30	1	14	.....	.....	236	250	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	200	....	....	....	230
Charleston	2	40	....	.....	.....	....	12	12	1	31	30	90	440	591	300	.....	21	....	....	10	100	721	831	....	....	....	843
Charleston Ct	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	16	.....	.....	120	136	90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	66	72	....	....	....	72
Commerce	1	7	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	15	.....	.....	200	215	.....	.....	.....	1	2	8	150	139	297	....	....	....	297
East Prairie	1	16	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	30	50	.....	350	430	.....	.....	.....	....	10	6	.....	184	190	....	....	....	190
Fornfelt	.....	8	1	14	.....	....	10	10	1	18	.....	.....	285	303	103	.....	7	2	....	10	.....	295	305	....	....	....	315
Illmo	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	16	25	10	100	151	100	.....	9	1	1	15	8	259	282	....	....	....	282
Jackson	1	36	2	60	.....	....	55	55	1	36	28	200	490	754	200	.....	.....	....	8	10	82	271	363	....	....	....	418
Jackson Ct	1	5	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	15	.....	.....	90	105	90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	73	73	....	....	....	73
Lilbourn	.....	4	1	25	.....	....	12	12	3	23	.....	.....	250	273	175	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	230	240	....	....	....	252
Morley	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	11	.....	25	160	196	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	120	125	....	....	....	125
New Madrid	1	10	2	45	47	5	64	116	2	21	25	.....	254	300	128	.....	3	3	3	25	29	280	334	....	....	....	450
Oak Ridge	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	18	.....	.....	164	182	85	.....	11	.....	.....	10	.....	75	85	....	....	....	85
Oran	1	8	2	57	.....	2	42	44	1	19	30	.....	203	252	103	.....	19	....	3	12	75	244	331	....	....	....	375
Portageville	1	10	2	40	27	....	10	37	1	14	.....	.....	176	190	126	.....	3	....	1	.....	.....	309	309	....	....	....	346
Rockview	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	10	9	.....	60	79	26	.....	13	....	1	5	.....	50	55	....	....	....	55
Sikeston	2	54	3	111	85	....	160	245	1	30	45	20	437	532	325	.....	20	4	5	50	476	1,400	1,926	....	....	....	2,171
Vandusen-Richwoods	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	10	.....	.....	244	254	130	.....	10	....	....	7	.....	100	107	....	....	....	107
Whitewater	2	7	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	17	.....	.....	133	150	90	.....	1	....	....	3	7	51	61	....	....	....	61
Wyatt	.....	12	1	35	.....	....	125	125	1	13	38	.....	125	176	100	.....	10	....	1	10	7	70	87	....	....	....	212
Zalma	.....	4	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	7	.....	.....	93	100	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	100	....	....	....	100
Total	19	277	25	686	$ 274	$ 15	$ 910	$ 1,199	48	523	406	412	6,162	7,503	3,391	110	241	46	53	$ 310	$ 1,545	$ 6,640	$ 8,495	....	....	....	9,694
Total last year	43	360	23	791	265	8	534	807	47	548	539	403	6,441	7,921	.....	.....	472	....	51	100	1,211	6,410	7,772	....	....	....	8,579
Increase	.....	.....	2	.....	$ 9	$ 7	$ 376	$ 392	1	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	2	$ 210	$ 334	$ 230	$ 723	....	....	....	1,115
Decrease	24	83	....	105	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	25	133	.....	279	418	.....	.....	231	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	.....

Table No. III—Financial

CAPE GIRARDEAU DISTRICT

CHARGES	Presiding Elder		Preacher in Charge		District Work		Conference Work		General Work		Foreign Missions Specials	Home Missions Specials	Conference Missions Specials	Raised This Year							Brought Forward From Table I	Brought Forward From Table II	Total	Less Items Reported Twice	Grand Total For Year
	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid				On Centenary Pledges	On Christian Education Pledges	For Superannuate Endowment	For Hospitals	For Orphanage	For Incidentals and Other Objects	For Conference Claimants	Special for Marvin College					
Advance	$ 168	$ 158	$ 1,400	$ 1,314			$ 281	$ 136	$ 327	$ 150				$ 8					$ 611	$ 45	$ 85	$ 451	$ 289	$ 3,247	$ 211	$ 3,036
Bell City	103	63	825	513			160	5	187	7									16	10		70	36	720		720
Benton	96	96	800	800			200	200	234	235				175					143	53	61	335	255	2,353	170	2,183
Bertrand	144	144	1,200	1,200			240	50	281						75				304			6,444	292	8,509		8,509
Blodgett	120	90	1,025	968			200	34	234	40				130					59	63	9	360	252	2,005	151	1,854
Bridges and New Prospect	102	40	850	333			160	20	187	28										14		75	72	582		582
Cape Girardeau, Centenary	300	300	2,500	2,500			501	501	586	586				572	97				1,563	168	152	1,791	1,155	9,385		9,385
Cape Girardeau, Maple Ave.	96	96	800	800			160	46	187	48				33					170	14	13	188	156	1,565	151	1,414
Cape Girardeau, Third	72	48	600	600			60	15	70	31				5					139	10	6	12	128	994		994
Chaffee	180	180	1,500	1,500			300	72	357	86									375	24	27	220	230	2,714	50	2,664
Charleston	360	360	3,000	3,000			601	601	704	704				690	295				1,328	201	183	1,045	843	9,250		9,250
Charleston Ct		21		175			100	5	107	6									37	9			72	325		325
Commerce	114	114	950	950			190	114	222	134				65					184	42	43	219	297	2,162	150	2,012
East Prairie	102	102	820	820			240	55	282	70							$ 10			24	25	330	190	1,626	15	1,611
Fornfelt	108	108	900	900			220	60	258	69				110	45				294	60	35	994	315	2,990	110	2,880
Illmo	120	120	1,000	1,000			160	160	188	188				53	126				617	70	48	2,271	282	4,935		4,935
Jackson	240	240	2,000	2,000			401	401	469	469				852	293					134	122	3,018	418	7,947	82	7,865
Jackson Ct	58	58	591	591			120	10	140	12										6		28	73	778		778
Lilbourn	106	96	844	804			120	40	141	45									120	25	10	310	252	1,702		1,702
Morley	150	75	1,000	616			160	32	187	37									75	6	34	1,664	125	2,664		2,664
New Madrid	180	180	1,500	1,680			300	150	352	164				169	475		12		228	101	91	1,214	450	4,914	332	4,582
Oak Ridge	120	110	1,000	920			160	60	188	70				231	21				200	61	48	230	85	2,036		2,036
Oran	120	108	1,000	1,050			220	103	258	121				144					191	67	22	290	375	2,471	11	2,460
Portageville	129	129	1,080	1,080			200	35	234	40	$ 10				95				118	50		403	346	2,306		2,306
Rockview		9		110			60	7	70	8										7		9	55	205		205
Sikeston	360	360	3,000	3,000			601	601	704	704				2,159	663				3,328	201	183	3,410	2,171	16,780		16,780
Vanduser-Richwoods	80	69	700	625			100	4	117	6										10			107	821		821
Whitewater	72	63	600	597			120	25	140	35				101					115	20	16	218	61	1,251	7	1,244
Wyatt	144	144	1,200	1,200			240	100	281	150									150	50		333	212	2,339	195	2,144
Zalma																							100	100		100
Total	$ 3,944	$ 3,681	$ 32,685	$ 31,646			$ 6,575	$ 3,642	$ 7,692	$ 4,243	$ 10			$ 5,497	$ 2,185		$ 22		$ 10,365	$ 1,545	$ 1,213	$ 25,932	$ 9,694	$ 99,675	$ 1,635	$ 98,040
Total Last Year	4,806	4,553	32,703	31,236			4,342	2,558	6,470	3,758				2,658	806				23,498	1,910				96,009	3,577	92,432
Increase				$ 410			$ 2,233	$ 1,084	$ 1,222	$ 485	$ 10			$ 2,839	$ 1,379		$ 22				$ 1,213			$ 3,666		$ 5,608
Decrease	$ 862	$ 872	$ 18																$ 3,133	$ 365					$ 1,942	

Table No. I—Membership, Baptism, and Church Property

FARMINGTON DISTRICT

CHARGES		MEMBERSHIP								CHURCH PROPERTY								INSURANCE						WOMAN'S WORK			Grand Total Table I
		Members Reported Last Year	Local Preachers	Additions on Profession of Faith	Additions by Certificate and Otherwise	Removals by Death and Otherwise	Present Total Membership, Including Local Preachers	Adults Baptised	Infants Baptised	No. of Congregations in Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value	Indebtedness	Value of Other Church Property	Raised for Churches and Parsonages	Property Protection carried with Ch. Ext. Board	Paid for Property Protection	Other Insurance Carried	Premiums Paid	Churches Damaged or Destr'd	Parsonages Damaged or Destr'd	Amount of Damage	Loss Collected	No. of Societies	Members	Total Amount Raised by Woman's Missionary Societies	
Arcadia	N. B. Henry	139			6	10	135			2	2	$ 4,500		1	$ 1,000		$ 50,000	$ 1,500			$ 800						1	10	$ 355	$ 1,855
Belleview Ct.	J. E. Ellis	270		11	4	8	277	8		4	4			1															
Bismarck-Irondale	J. W. Ham	434		5	12	84	367	6	1	2	2	12,000	$ 1,660	1	2,500		681	681			4,500	$ 20					1	24	393	1,094
Bonne Terre	J. T. Evitts	421	1	18	25	10	454	10	11	1	1	35,000	4,225	1	3,000		700	150			17,000	146					3	60	724	1,020
Caledonia	John L. Wood	282	1	10		2	290	3	1	4	4	8,000		1	1,000		100	127									1	15		127
De Soto	W. J. Velvick	211		8	14	11	222	4	3	1	1	25,000		1	7,000	$ 2,750		3,400			6,000	27					1	31	1,162	4,589
Des Loge	Linus Eaker	208	1	27	26	19	242	16		1	1	5,000		1	3,000			150			4,000	12								162
Elvins	J. A. Brown	401	1	10	11	29	393	5	3	1	1	3,000		1	1,200			25			3,000						1	30	359	384
Esther	F. M. Love	137		57	10	66	138	40		2	2	3,000		1	1,800			80			1,800	33					1	25	70	183
Farmington	C. P. Thogmorton	527		32	25	10	574	15	10	1	1	20,000		1	3,000			586			10,800	38					1	40	682	1,306
Farmington Ct.	C. D. Thomasson	372	1	40	7	3	416	12		5	5	8,000		1	1,800			270			1,500	6								276
Festus	H. E. Ryan	460		26	13	70	429	15	4	1	1	15,000		1	2,500		400	296			15,500	269	1		$ 3	$ 3	1	19	662	1,227
Flat River	Wm. Stewart	725	2	63	34	137	685	28	20	1	1	20,000		1	3,000	450		615			10,000	79					2	52	1,028	1,722
Fredericktown	J. N. Broadhead	627	8	22	26	17	658	8	1	1	1	45,000	7,040	1	6,000	1,600	200	207			20,500						1	41	800	1,007
Fredericktown Ct.	F. D. Stickney	343		18		67	294	8	11	4	4	6,000						262												262
Hematite Ct.	J. L. Batten	106		2		3	105	1		4	3	4,000		1	800		600				2,000	13	1		1,200	800				13
Herculaneum	D. R. Wasson	76		32	18	7	119	5	6	1	1	7,000	50	1	1,800	471		800			3,500	31					1	23	469	1,300
Ironton-Des Arc	G. K. Robinson	239		31	17	9	278	28		3	2	1,500					1,750	150			800									150
Leadwood	J. C. Reid	257			6	6	257			1	1	5,000		1	1,500			200			3,200	21					1	25	250	471
Lowndes-Liberty	T. P. Ralph	275		9	9	177	116			2	2	3,600		1	1,500			90												90
Lt'sville-Marble Hill	Roy T. Johnson	239		38	4	6	275	27	1	4	4	9,000	500	2	3,000			100			6,500						1	14		100
Marquand Ct.	J. D. Doherty	283	1	5	1	19	270	4		4	4	6,000		1	1,250			400			2,800	66					1	16	204	670
Pd'mont-Cold Water	C. J. Barham	210		4		2	212	2	1	3	3	3,500		1	2,500		100	387			2,500	64					1	24	407	858
Plattin Ct.	J. C. McDaniel	243		38	1	8	274	37	4	4	5	13,000	800	1	1,200			1,776			12,000	20								1,796
Potosi Ct.	Geo. Walker	210	1	2	4	22	194		5	2	2	7,000		1	2,000			925			3,000	29					2	22	283	1,237
Sedgewickville	J. L. Finlay	440	1	13	8	287	174	8	13	6	5	10,000		1	1,600			593				6								599
York Chapel	J. G. Craig	128		11	6	5	140	4	2	2	2	8,000		1	1,000			10			2,500	12								22
Total		8,263	18	532	287	1,094	7,988	294	97	67	65	$ 287,100	$14,275	26	$ 54,950	$ 5,271	$ 54,531	$ 13,780			$ 134,200	$ 892	2		$ 1,203	$ 803	21	471	$ 7,848	$ 22,520
Total last year			18	454	298	566	8,263	267	106	67	64	281,700	15,300	28	54,450	4,591	51,750	12,566			117,600	508	1		3,000	1,457	19	534	4,733	17,807
Increase				78		528		27			1	$ 5,400			$ 500	$ 680	$ 2,781	$ 1,214			$ 16,600	$ 384	1				2		$ 3,115	$ 4.713
Decrease					11		275		9				$ 1,025	2											$ 1,797	$ 654		63		

Table No. II—Epworth League, Sunday School, Etc.

FARMINGTON DISTRICT

CHARGES	Church Papers Taken		Epworth Leagues*						Sunday Schools														Lay Activities			Grand Total Table II
	General Organ	Conference Organ	No. Leagues	Members	Raised for Missions	Raised on Anniversary Day	Raised for All Other Objects	Total Raised by Epworth Leagues	No. of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	No. on Cradle Roll	No. in Home Department	No. in All Other Departments	Total Enrollment in All Departments	Average Weekly Attendance	No. of Sunday School Library Books	No. of Pupils Who Have Joined Church	No. Taking Train'g Courses	No. of Wesley Classes	Amount Raised on Sunday School Day	Amount Raised for Missions	Amount Raised for All Other Purposes	Total Amount Raised by Sunday Schools	Number of Brotherhoods	Number of Members	Raised by Brotherhoods	
Arcadia	1	20	1	15	$ 10	....	$ 10	$ 20	2	15	.....	.....	105	120	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 6	.....	$ 117	$ 123	....	....	....	$ 143
Belleview Ct.	.....	.....	2	90	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	21	23	.....	116	160	112	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bismarck-Irondale	3	12	2	80	15	....	20	35	2	32	33	17	347	429	200	.....	4	.....	.....	15	$ 90	338	443	....	....	....	478
Bonne Terre	.....	.....	1	20	.....	$ 1	12	13	1	24	30	.....	306	360	195	50	17	.....	.....	10	103	394	507	....	....	....	520
Caledonia	1	.....	1	30	60	....	15	75	1	7	.....	.....	71	78	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	107	111	....	....	....	186
De Soto	2	16	2	121	43	2	219	264	1	17	39	.....	189	245	132	.....	6	.....	.....	7	75	247	329	....	....	....	593
Des Loge	.....	8	1	15	.....	.....	6	6	1	18	98	.....	241	357	150	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45	144	189	....	....	....	195
Elvins	1	10	1	35	75	3	75	153	1	25	.....	.....	325	350	175	60	3	9	....	14	23	689	726	1	20	....	879
Esther	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	13	.....	.....	225	238	85	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	24	226	250	....	....	....	250
Farmington	2	60	2	80	125	7	100	232	1	27	31	.....	301	359	190	25	15	....	2	5	60	276	341	....	....	....	573
Farmington Ct.	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	21	.....	.....	220	241	150	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	75	90	....	....	....	90
Festus	1	26	3	120	25	1	21	47	1	35	24	.....	291	350	180	200	21	....	2	7	163	363	533	1	20	....	580
Flat River	1	12	2	48	35	5	50	90	1	34	.....	.....	380	414	232	.....	37	.....	.....	5	115	235	355	....	....	....	445
Fredericktown	.....	35	3	114	75	4	152	231	1	30	3	.....	350	383	260	.....	21	....	4	35	100	743	878	....	....	....	1,109
Fredericktown Ct.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	20	.....	.....	140	160	100	.....	16	.....	.....	4	.....	120	124	....	....	....	124
Hematite Ct.	4	12	1	25	25	....	5	30	3	11	.....	.....	84	95	80	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	40	....	....	....	70
Hereulaneum	.....	3	2	65	.....	.....	75	75	1	10	.....	.....	200	210	115	.....	26	.....	.....	6	4	278	288	....	....	....	363
Ironton-Des Arc	.....	20	1	20	10	2	9	21	2	16	14	.....	170	200	120	25	25	....	1	6	20	235	261	....	....	....	282
Leadwood	1	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	18	20	.....	178	216	110	.....	.....	4	....	6	.....	205	211	....	....	....	211
Lowndes-Liberty	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	9	.....	.....	71	80	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	50	57	....	....	....	57
Lutesville-Marble Hill	.....	5	1	20	.....	.....	15	15	3	17	.....	.....	273	290	200	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	30	110	140	....	....	....	155
Marquand Ct.	1	18	1	33	25	5	76	106	3	24	8	.....	183	215	110	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	167	169	....	....	....	275
Piedmont-Cold Water	.....	11	1	34	.....	6	20	26	3	14	.....	.....	126	140	130	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	70	333	403	....	....	....	429
Plattin Ct.	.....	7	2	32	2	....	10	12	3	20	.....	.....	130	150	120	.....	14	.....	.....	6	.....	110	116	....	....	....	128
Potosi Ct.	1	17	1	32	10	3	42	55	2	14	13	7	116	150	55	9	2	....	....	3	16	182	201	....	....	....	256
Sedgewickville	4	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	24	25	2	189	240	125	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	108	108	....	....	....	108
York Chapel	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	6	.....	.....	34	40	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	20	29	....	....	....	29
Total	23	316	31	1,029	$ 535	$ 39	$ 932	$ 1,506	52	522	361	26	5,361	6,270	3,526	369	230	13	10	$ 172	$ 938	$ 5,912	$ 7,022	1	20	....	$ 8,528
Total last year	22	373	30	866	592	26	1,002	1,620	59	567	484	81	5,922	7,053	.....	.....	192	....	20	80	1,041	6,296	7,417	....	....	....	9,037
Increase	1	....	1	163	.....	$ 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38	....	....	$ 92	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	.....
Decrease	.....	57	....	....	$ 57	....	$ 70	$ 114	7	45	123	55	556	783	.....	.....	.....	....	10	.....	$ 103	$ 384	$ 395	....	....	....	$ 509

Table No. III—Financial

FARMINGTON DISTRICT

CHARGES	Presiding Elder		Preacher in Charge		District Work		Conference Work		General Work		Foreign Missions Specials	Home Missions Specials	Conference Missions Specials	Raised This Year								Brought Forward From Table I	Brought Forward From Table II	Total	Less Items Reported Twice	Grand Total For Year
	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid				On Centenary Pledges	On Christian Education Pledges	For Superannuate Endowment	For Hospitals	For Orphanage	For Incidentals and Other Objects	For Conference Claimants	Special for Marvin College					
Arcadia	$ 85	$ 85	$ 602	$ 602			$ 112	$ 68	$ 130	$ 79				$ 26					$ 44	$ 24	$ 38	$ 1,855	$ 143	$ 2,964	$ 65	$ 2,899
Belleview Ct	71	57	564	417			164	20	191	25										8				527		527
Bismarck-Irondale	143	143	1,100	1,100	$ 11	$ 11	245	78	330	104				158					302	35	20	1,094	478	3,523	200	3,323
Bonne Terre	210	210	1,500	1,500			355	355	415	415	$ 35	$ 35		757	$ 197				1,820	102	108	1,020	520	7,074	101	6,973
Caledonia	60	30	440	260			112	20	130	24									74	6		127	186	727		727
De Soto	210	210	1,500	1,500			225	102	269	131				122	2				344	102	68	4,589	593	7,763	575	7,188
Des Loge	156	156	1,200	1,200			212	70	236	78				15					837	33	27	162	195	2,773	55	2,718
Elvins	195	195	1,500	1,500	15	15	321	123	363	144				239	25				564	40	27	384	879	4,135	148	3,987
Esther	79	65	625	525			107	22	114	26					40				70	7		183	250	1,188		1,188
Farmington	280	280	2,000	2,000			440	440	535	535				800	56				293	137	138	1,306	573	6,558		6,558
Farmington Ct	104	86	745	680			204	20	238	23									140	8		276	90	1,323		1,323
Festus	294	294	2,100	2,100			390	390	460	460				663	287				1,093	153	124	1,227	580	7,371	242	7,129
Flat River	234	234	1,800	1,800	18	18	438	438	530	530				318	104				1,000	122	138	1,722	445	6,869	640	6,229
Fredericktown	252	252	1,800	1,800			460	460	540	540				875	5,000		$ 60		1,678	123	140	1,007	1,109	13,044	850	12,194
Fredericktown Ct	75	60	600	492			113	24	132	30									221	9	8	262	124	1,230		1,230
Hematite Ct	90	73	645	590			130	45	145	51				66	92				60	35	15	13	70	1,110		1,110
Herculaneum	140	140	1,000	1,000			162	74	178	81				100				$ 10	660	27		1,300	363	3,755	203	3,552
Ironton-Des Arc	144	144	1,025	1,025			156	156	179	179	10			96					335	70	57	150	282	2,504	30	2,474
Leadwood	156	156	1,200	1,200	12	12	200	55	234	70				40					215	40	17	471	211	2,487	250	2,237
Lowndes-Liberty	120	63	875	455			130	10	145	15									70			90	57	760		760
Lutesville-Marble Hill	115	100	870	731			197	35	230	40				107					1,465	20	30	100	155	2,783		2,783
Marquand Ct	115	101	785	729			140	32	200	40				186					889	42	33	670	275	2,997	75	2,922
Piedmont-Cold Water	184	185	1,320	1,320			249	75	286	135				119					184	90	68	858	429	3,463	450	3,013
Plattin Ct	98	98	702	775			174	47	202	55									53	13	14	1,796	128	2,979		2,979
Potosi Ct	182	169	1,300	1,209			191	86	223	101				265	4				238	45	58	1,237	256	3,668	135	3,533
Sedgewickville	90	72	653	561			140	3	150	5				61					40	7		599	108	1,456		1,456
York Chapel	70	43	500	337			100	30	112	40									25	12		22	29	538		538
Total	$ 3,952	$ 3,701	$ 28,951	$ 28,408	$ 56	$ 56	$ 5,875	$ 3,278	$ 6,997	$ 3,956	$ 45	$ 35		$ 5,013	$ 5,807		$ 60	$ 10	$ 12,714	$ 1,310	$ 1,128	$ 22,520	$ 8,528	$ 96,569	$ 4,019	$ 92,550
Total Last Year	4,438	4,020	29,461	26,609			4,459	2,208	6,179	3,388				3,851	1,272				13,119	1,546		17,807	9,037	82,802	2,129	80,373
Increase				$ 1,799	$ 56	$ 56	$ 1,416	$ 1,070	$ 818	$ 568	$ 45	$ 35		$ 1,162	$ 4,535		$ 60	$ 10			$ 1,128	$ 4,713		$ 13,767	$ 1,890	$ 12,177
Decrease	$ 486	$ 319	$ 510																$ 405	$ 236			$ 509			

Table No. I—Membership, Baptism, and Church Property

POPLAR BLUFF DISTRICT

CHARGES		MEMBERSHIP								CHURCH PROPERTY								INSURANCE								WOMAN'S WORK			GRAND TOTAL TABLE I
		Members Reported Last Year	Local Preachers	Additions on Profession of Faith	Additions by Certificate and Otherwise	Removals by Death and Otherwise	Present Total Membership, Including Local Preachers	Adults Baptised	Infants Baptised	No. of Congregations in Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value	Indebtedness	Value of Other Church Property	Raised for Churches and Parsonages	Property Protection carried with Ch. Ext. Board	Paid for Property Protection	Other Insurance Carried	Premiums Paid	Churches Damaged or Destr'd	Parsonages Damaged or Destr'd	Amount of Damage	Loss Collected	No. of Societies	Members	Total Amount Raised by Woman's Missionary Societies	
Bernie Ct.	A. N. Burris	205	2	36	8	1	248	40	2	3	3	$ 7,000		1	$ 1,500			$ 183											$ 183
Bloomfield	J. W. Duncan	229	1	1	8	9	229	1	1	1	1	4,800		1	1,600			30			$ 4,000					1	28	$ 338	368
Bloomfield Ct.	R. E. Carpenter	236		26	15	5	272	26	3	5	5	3,500					$ 200	30			700	$ 4							34
Bragg City Ct.	L. Hinchey	255		18	3		276			3	3	3,500																	
Campbell	H. L. Taylor	182		1	3	3	183			1	1	20,000	$ 8,000	1	1,500			7,834			8,000	126				1	76	856	8,816
Cardwell Ct.	J. L. Woolverton	120	1	17	9	1	145	17		2	1	5,000	1,160	1	3,000	$ 62	400	2,617			3,000	42							2,659
Caruthersville	L. Marlin	322		3	14		339	3		1	1	7,500	400	1	3,000		30,000				7,000					2	80	588	588
Clarkton	G. B. Sherman	148		5	4	29	128	3		1	1	2,500		1	2,000			70			2,000	23				1	28	190	283
Cooter Ct.	T. H. Ballard	275		2		1	276			3	2	4,000		1	1,500			48								1	10	108	156
Deering	J. A. Scamahorn	75		4	17	3	93	11	11	1	1	1,500		1	1,200														
Dexter	C. Burton	333	1	2	12	101	246	2	1	1	1	15,000	1,200	1	6,000	4,200	1,200				14,500	101				1	32	1,292	1,393
Doniphan	T. L. Bess	218		2	12	80	152	1	5	1	1	5,000		1	3,000			124			3,500	23				1	17	625	772
Essex	F. M. Field	109	1		7	2	114			1	1	3,000		1	1,500						1,700	10				1	31	408	418
Gideon	M. A. Myers	136		15	12	8	155	6	1	1	1	3,000	400	1	1,500	660		336			3,000	15				1	40	588	939
Harkey Chapel	W. D. Humphrey	293		3	19	2	313	6		2	2	7,000		1	1,500			428			5,600	51							479
Hayti	A. B. Culbertson	300			6	52	254		1	1	1	1,200		1	2,000		1,200	550			1,000	16							566
Holcomb Ct.	F. J. Banta	410	1	5	10	12	413	5	14	4	4	5,800		1	1,600			149			3,500	25							174
Hornersville	D. M. Margraves	287		10	2	2	297	6	3	2	1	15,000		1	5,000			165			13,000	258				1	25	301	724
Kennett	T. E. Smith	400	2	27	7	5	429	10	3	1	1	30,000	5,600	1	5,000			877			35,000	179				3	93	1,737	2,793
Malden	J. T. Ricketts	303	2	59	11	35	338	30		1	1	20,000		1	2,500			170			13,000					1	34	336	506
Morehouse	H. W. Doss	393		57	21	12	459	43	18	1	1	3,000						490			3,000	75				1	21	525	1,090
Naylor Ct.	J. D. Eudaley	177		19	15	2	209	41	3	3	3	8,500		1	1,500			94			3,000								94
Oxley Ct.	A. R. Sanders	123			25		148	20		4	4	3,000		1	600		300	164			500								164
Parma	J. A. Hill	107	1	4		24	87	3		1	1	1,500		1	1,500			56			2,100					1	20	421	477
Poplar Bluff	R. G. Thogmorton	738		2	26	13	753	2	3	1	1	5,000	2,500	1	11,500		1,000	168			7,500	30				3	158	1,577	1,775
Poplar Bluff Ct.		60		5			65			4	3	3,000																	
Senath	A. W. Russell	225	1	2	5	3	229			1	1	10,000	800	1	1,500		1,000	74			8,000	80				1	22	100	254
Steele	C. N. Gains	214	1	48	8	9	261	25	8	1	1	4,500		1	2,500		1,000	500			5,500	117				1	30	200	817
Total		6,873	14	373	279	414	7,111	301	77	52	48	$ 202,800	$20,060	24	$ 64,000	$ 4,922	$ 36,300	$15,157			$ 148,100	$1,175				22	745	$ 10,190	$ 26,522
Total last year		6,873	18	638	450	277	6,873	378	135	52	50	200,500	7,644	24	63,600	6,644	4,750	6,184			151,000	806				20	637	9,638	16,628
Increase						137	238					$ 2,300	$12,416		$ 400		$ 31,550	$ 8,973				$ 369				2	108	$ 552	$ 9,994
Decrease			4	265	171			77	58		2					$ 1,722					$ 2,900								

Table No. II—Epworth League, Sunday School, Etc.

POPLAR BLUFF DISTRICT

CHARGES	Church Papers Taken		Epworth Leagues						Sunday Schools																Lay Activities			Grand Total Table II
	General Organ	Conference Organ	No. Leagues	Members	Raised for Missions	Raised on Anniversary Day	Raised for All Other Objects	Total Raised by Epworth Leagues	No. of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	No. on Cradle Roll	No. in Home Department	No. in All Other Departments	Total Enrollment in All Departments	Average Weekly Attendance	No. of Sunday School Library Books	No. of Pupils Who Have Joined Church	No. Taking Train'g Courses	No. of Wesley Classes	Amount Raised on Sunday School Day	Amount Raised for Missions	Amount Raised for All Other Purposes	Total Amount Raised by Sunday Schools	Number of Brotherhoods	Number of Members	Raised by Brotherhoods	
Bernie Ct.	2	4							3	23	8		350	381	200		13			$ 1	$ 155	$ 206	$ 362				$ 362
Bloomfield	2	17	2	76	$ 25	$ 2	$ 109	$ 136	1	16	12		132	160	120				1	4	120	230	354				490
Bloomfield Ct.	7	5							3	26	29	33	241	329	129		17					150	150				150
Bragg City Ct.									3	15			245	260	150												
Campbell	2	12	3	101	50		267	317	1	15	19	12	160	206	124				1	10	55	614	679				996
Cardwell Ct.		10	1	22			25	25	2	14			166	180	100		17					215	215				240
Caruthersville	1	18	1	50					1	20	50		360	430	212	200	7		4		100	250	350				350
Clarkton	2	8							1	12		15	90	117	80		5				13	199	212				212
Cooter Ct.			1	45					2	11			186	197	175							98	98				98
Deering		6							1	5			90	95	50		12			3		211	214				214
Dexter	2	26	3	80					1	21	24		222	267	190		7		2	9	6	439	454				454
Doniphan		21	1	30	10		40	50	1	17	27	15	123	182	100				2	5		283	288				338
Essex			1	22			10	10	1	8			88	96	60				1			75	75				85
Gideon			2	75			25	25	1	13			200	213	180		14			16	54	273	343				368
Harkey Chapel	1	15	2	61	31	5	82	118	2	20	30		276	326	150		5		1	7		169	176				294
Hayti			1	31			7	7	1	13	16		172	201	82				2	5	60	121	186				193
Holcomb Ct.		3	1	41			40	40	4	19			281	300	200						34	246	280				320
Hornersville		20							1	13	30		115	158	106					5		176	181				181
Kennett		10	2	60	49		76	125	1	21			300	321	220		10		1	5		850	855				980
Malden	1	16	3	58					1	24	43	17	200	284	175	20	51		2	10		230	240				240
Morehouse	2	18							1	24		97	231	252	150		39			7		240	247				247
Naylor Ct.									3	20	33		205	258	150		18				20	180	200				200
Oxley Ct.		3							4	24			76	100	75		6					76	76				76
Parma	3	4	1	26					1	12			148	160	80		2	1		3		32	35				35
Poplar Bluff		47	1	75	51		23	74	1	43	56		576	675	300		6		5	9	474	796	1,279				1,353
Poplar Bluff Ct.									2	12			88	100	70							35	35				35
Senath			2	60	17		35	52	1	12	16		170	198	100					4	100	105	209				261
Steele	2	16	1	28			5	5	2	22	25		232	279	102		40	8	2	2		274	276				281
Total	27	279	29	941	$ 233	$ 7	$ 744	$ 984	47	495	418	189	5,623	6,725	3,830	220	269	9	24	$ 105	$ 1,191	$ 6,773	$ 8,069				$ 9,053
Total last year	24	317	34	1,167	336	17	1,002	1,355	50	510	353	92	5,955	6,910			320		27	55	1,010	6,790	7,855				9,210
Increase	3										65	97								$ 50	$ 181		$ 214				
Decrease		38	5	226	$ 103	$ 10	$ 258	$ 371	3	15			333	185			51		3			$ 17					$ 157

Table No. III—Financial

POPLAR BLUFF DISTRICT

CHARGES	Presiding Elder		Preacher in Charge		District Work		Conference Work		General Work		Foreign Missions Specials	Home Missions Specials	Conference Missions Specials	Raised This Year							Brought Forward From Table I	Brought Forward From Table II	Total	Less Items Reported Twice	Grand Total For Year
	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid				On Centenary Pledges	On Christian Education Pledges	For Superannuate Endowment	For Hospitals	For Orphanage	For Incidentals and Other Objects	For Conference Claimants	Special for Marvin College					
Bernie Ct	$ 125	$ 102	$ 1,000	$ 790	.....	.....	$ 173	$ 15	$ 202	$ 18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 808	$ 9	$ 54	$ 183	$ 362	$ 2,341	.....	$ 2,341
Bloomfield	150	150	1,200	1,200	.....	.....	171	85	330	112	.....	.....	.....	$ 298	$ 35	.....	$ 18	.....	346	81	72	368	490	3,255	.....	3,255
Bloomfield Ct	100	79	800	633	.....	.....	115	34	134	46	.....	.....	.....	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	45	25	36	34	150	1,149	.....	1,149
Bragg City Ct	80	64	650	616	.....	.....	94	.....	109	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	682	.....	682
Campbell	187	187	1,500	1,500	.....	.....	249	249	292	292	$ 50	.....	.....	248	102	.....	.....	.....	168	101	39	8,816	996	12,748	$ 620	12,128
Cardwell Ct	100	81	800	731	.....	.....	154	23	180	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	383	9	6	2,659	240	4,159	.....	4,159
Caruthersville	300	300	2,400	2,400	.....	.....	460	142	538	164	.....	.....	.....	411	.....	.....	.....	.....	843	53	37	588	350	5,288	125	5,163
Clarkton	125	113	1,000	904	.....	.....	192	55	224	65	.....	.....	.....	180	55	.....	7	.....	385	22	28	283	212	2,309	80	2,229
Cooter Ct	100	78	800	704	.....	.....	154	15	180	20	5	.....	.....	9	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	30	156	98	1,140	.....	1,140
Deering	123	123	1,143	1,143	.....	.....	154	36	180	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	135	30	.....	.....	214	1,725	.....	1,725
Dexter	270	270	2,160	2,160	.....	.....	414	20	485	30	.....	.....	.....	762	.....	.....	.....	.....	583	11	128	1,393	454	5,811	.....	5,811
Doniphan	162	162	1,300	1,300	.....	.....	230	100	269	91	.....	$ 27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	293	87	.....	772	338	3,170	.....	3,170
Essex	137	137	1,100	1,100	.....	.....	160	40	250	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	164	36	16	418	85	2,056	.....	2,056
Gideon	188	188	1,500	1,500	.....	.....	288	288	336	336	54	.....	.....	526	.....	.....	.....	.....	601	101	88	939	368	4,989	.....	4,987
Harkey Chapel	150	150	1,200	1,200	.....	.....	230	76	269	100	.....	.....	.....	242	63	.....	.....	.....	293	81	72	479	294	3,050	.....	3,050
Hayti	187	187	1,500	1,500	.....	.....	288	50	326	60	.....	.....	.....	34	37	.....	.....	.....	566	42	36	566	193	3,271	60	3,211
Holcomb Ct	150	135	1,200	1,079	.....	.....	230	57	269	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	78	.....	.....	.....	394	23	72	174	320	2,399	.....	2,399
Hornersville	187	187	1,500	1,500	.....	.....	288	201	336	298	.....	.....	.....	406	.....	.....	.....	.....	437	101	90	724	181	4,125	90	4,035
Kennett	312	312	2,500	2,500	.....	.....	480	250	561	290	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,518	160	50	2,793	980	8,853	1,572	7,281
Malden	225	225	1,800	1,800	.....	.....	345	345	404	404	.....	.....	.....	491	32	.....	.....	.....	886	121	.....	506	240	5,050	.....	5,050
Morehouse	175	175	1,400	1,400	.....	.....	210	210	240	240	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	180	94	72	1,090	247	3,708	.....	3,708
Naylor Ct	88	88	700	737	.....	.....	154	50	180	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65	17	.....	94	200	1,311	.....	1,311
Oxley Ct	39	34	261	242	.....	.....	68	8	79	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	111	5	.....	164	76	652	.....	652
Parma	62	62	500	500	.....	.....	154	14	180	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	33	48	477	35	1,204	.....	1,204
Poplar Bluff	375	375	3,000	3,000	.....	.....	576	576	674	674	.....	.....	.....	939	75	.....	.....	.....	652	202	100	1,775	1,353	9,721	.....	9,721
Poplar Bluff Ct	.....	.....	.....	168	.....	.....	34	10	46	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	228	.....	228
Senath	125	125	1,000	1,000	.....	.....	230	100	269	50	.....	.....	.....	31	9	.....	.....	.....	185	32	.....	254	261	2,047	100	1,947
Steele	150	150	1,200	1,200	.....	.....	188	188	218	218	.....	.....	.....	42	40	.....	.....	.....	1,133	81	72	817	281	4,222	.....	4,222
Total	$ 4,372	$ 4,239	$ 35,114	$ 34,507	.....	.....	$ 6,483	$ 3,237	$ 7,760	$ 3,808	$109	$ 27	....	$ 4,686	$ 536	....	$ 25	.....	$ 11,194	$ 1,574	$ 1,146	$ 26,522	$ 9,053	$ 100,663	$ 2,647	$ 98,016
Total Last Year	4,590	4,101	34,098	33,090	.....	.....	3,136	2,052	6,832	3,434	.....	.....	.....	3,240	886	....	.....	.....	11,949	1,847	.....	16,628	9,210	86,646	1,848	84,798
Increase	.....	$ 138	$ 1,016	$ 1,417	.....	.....	$ 3,347	$ 1,185	$ 928	$ 374	$109	$ 27	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 1,146	$ 9,894	.....	$ 14,017	$ 799	$ 13,218
Decrease	$ 218	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 755	$ 273	.....	.....	$ 157	.....	.....	.....

Table No. I—Membership, Baptism, and Church Property

ST. LOUIS DISTRICT

CHARGES		Membership								Church Property								Insurance						Woman's Work			Grand Total Table I
		Members Reported Last Year	Local Preachers	Additions on Profession of Faith	Additions by Certificate and Otherwise	Removals by Death and Otherwise	Present Total Membership, Including Local Preachers	Adults Baptised	Infants Baptised	No. of Congregations in Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value	Indebtedness	Value of Other Church Property	Raised for Churches and Parsonages	Property Protection carried with Ch. Ext. Board	Paid for Property Protection	Other Insurance Carried	Premiums Paid	Churches Damaged or Destr'd	Parsonages Damaged or Destr'd	Amount of Damage	Loss Collected	No. of Societies	Members	Total Amount Raised by Woman's Missionary Societies	
Arlington	F. S. Crowe	170	....	40	33	14	229	17	4	1	1	$ 50,000	$ 15,500	....	.....	.....	.....	$ 1,179	.....	....	$ 25,000	$ 81	....	....	.....	.....	1	17	$ 626	$ 1,886
Bellefontaine	J. R. Bullington	121	....	3	2	3	123	.....	4	1	1	6,000	.....	1	$ 5,000	.....	.....	800	.....	....	5,100	57	....	....	.....	.....	1	18	104	961
Bridgeton	C. P. Kirkendoll	63	....	.....	5	1	67	.....	6	1	1	1,500	.....	1	2,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	2,000	30	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30
Cabanne	G. E. Cameron	576	....	50	35	50	611	51	20	1	1	60,000	10,000	1	9,000	$ 2,000	.....	620	.....	....	53,000	.....	....	....	.....	.....	1	89	1,872	2,492
Centenary	C. W. Tadlock	2,890	2	300	202	443	2,949	132	52	1	1	175,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	909	.....	....	78,500	990	....	....	.....	.....	3	183	1,591	3,490
Christy Memorial	R. E. Foard	314	....	21	12	18	329	11	15	1	1	35,000	.....	1	7,500	6,800	.....	1,280	.....	....	22,500	55	....	....	.....	.....	1	29	525	1,860
Clayton	C. J. Dohn	190	....	39	14	25	218	15	2	1	1	45,000	8,000	1	6,500	3,500	.....	2,553	.....	....	32,000	440	....	....	.....	.....	1	20	1,010	4,003
Eureka and Crescent	D. R. Davis	137	....	45	8	9	181	18	3	2	1	1,000	.....	1	2,500	.....	$ 10,000	7,100	.....	....	1,000	24	1	....	$ 3,500	$ 1,000	1	15	326	7,450
Ferguson	A. Mather	285	....	15	17	27	290	1	6	1	1	35,000	.....	1	6,000	500	.....	897	.....	....	12,500	.....	....	....	.....	.....	1	50	878	1,775
Grand Avenue	E. H. Orear	457	....	57	61	154	421	17	19	1	1	75,000	600	.....	.....	.....	.....	150	.....	....	35,000	150	....	....	.....	.....	1	37	1,289	1,589
Haven Street	C. D. McGehee	651	....	30	27	200	508	.....	....	1	1	50,000	.....	1	4,000	3,175	.....	428	.....	....	31,560	.....	....	....	.....	.....	1	32	1,158	1,586
Immanuel	J. McCarthy	250	2	55	60	89	276	.....	4	1	1	8,000	.....	1	10,000	.....	.....	5,000	.....	....	14,250	40	....	....	.....	.....	2	38	949	5,989
Kingdom House	J. M. Bradley	210	....	9	10	25	204	8	8	1	1	25,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	50,000	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	1	20	75	75
Kirkwood	H. H. Johnson	353	....	51	56	94	366	25	20	1	1	26,000	4,500	1	6,000	.....	.....	602	.....	....	25,000	140	....	....	.....	.....	2	55	1,383	2,125
LaFayette Park	C. N. Clark	967	....	110	130	230	977	68	31	1	1	90,000	.....	1	8,000	.....	.....	7,473	.....	....	95,000	257	1	....	457	457	3	106	3,350	11,080
Manchester	.....	245	....	16	15	7	269	3	3	3	3	12,000	.....	3	7,000	.....	.....	173	.....	....	13,000	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	173
Marvin Memorial	C. C. Fesler	217	....	20	16	15	238	11	13	1	1	24,000	.....	1	5,000	.....	.....	100	.....	....	18,000	75	....	....	.....	.....	1	28	300	475
Mt. Auburn	J. L. Haw	507	1	36	23	30	536	18	7	1	1	20,000	1,750	.....	.....	.....	.....	438	.....	....	15,400	272	....	....	.....	.....	2	62	830	1,540
New Haven	F. W. Grampp	129	....	20	6	20	135	19	1	1	1	3,000	.....	1	3,500	.....	500	391	.....	....	5,300	.....	....	....	.....	.....	1	17	322	713
St. Johns	I. L. Holt	1,115	3	51	62	33	1,195	20	11	1	1	175,000	.....	1	12,500	.....	200	1,852	.....	....	148,200	490	....	....	.....	.....	1	110	7,814	10,156
St. Pauls	J. D. Tussey	643	....	76	26	55	690	23	20	1	1	46,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	445	.....	....	41,500	230	....	....	.....	.....	3	90	1,155	1,830
Scruggs-First	R. C. George	399	1	47	158	120	484	30	21	1	1	60,000	.....	1	10,000	.....	6,600	575	.....	....	49,500	175	....	....	.....	.....	1	38	526	1,276
Shaw Avenue	J. O. Ensor	748	2	18	58	106	718	8	7	1	1	42,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	36,000	171	....	....	.....	.....	1	42	1,003	1,174
Stephan Memorial	W. J. Heys	110	....	11	9	2	128	6	10	1	1	15,000	1,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,500	.....	....	12,100	64	....	....	.....	.....	1	23	265	1,829
University City	W. E. Sullens	156	....	32	45	11	222	5	5	1	1	55,000	2,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,315	.....	....	48,500	25	....	....	.....	.....	1	36	770	3,110
Valley Park	L. M. Meyer	143	....	25	14	10	172	11	14	2	2	7,000	.....	1	4,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	5,500	64	....	....	.....	.....	1	12	268	332
Vinita Park	R. E. Ledbetter	113	....	14	7	4	130	6	1	1	1	3,500	.....	1	6,000	2,250	.....	2,860	.....	....	6,500	24	....	....	.....	.....	1	24	472	3,356
Wagoner Place	S. M. Robinson	823	1	73	287	82	711	52	26	1	1	25,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,075	.....	....	21,000	30	1	....	152	152	2	80	3,266	4,371
Washington	H. E. Stone	123	....	.....	2	11	114	.....	....	2	2	9,500	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,000	.....	....	3,500	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,000
Total	.....	13,105	12	1,267	1,200	1,889	13,683	575	333	34	33	$ 1,180,000	$ 44,350	20	$ 115,000	$ 18,225	$ 67,300	$ 42,715	.....	....	$ 956,410	$ 3,884	3	....	$ 4,109	$ 1,609	36	1,190	$ 32,127	$ 78,726
Total last year	.....	.....	11	1,075	1,171	1,308	13,105	447	318	34	34	1,148,447	46,050	21	104,500	13,300	59,300	54,965	.....	....	915,710	3,822	4	....	95	110	35	1,216	27,670	86,457
Increase	.....	.....	1	192	29	581	578	128	15	....	....	$ 31,553	.....	....	$ 10,500	$ 4,925	$ 8,000	.....	.....	....	.....	$ 62	....	....	$ 4,014	$ 1,599	1	.....	$ 4,457	.....
Decrease	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1	.....	$ 1,700	1	.....	.....	.....	$ 12,250	.....	....	$ 40,700	.....	1	....	.....	.....	....	26	.....	$ 7,731

Table No. II—Epworth League, Sunday School, Etc.

ST. LOUIS DISTRICT

CHARGES	Church Papers Taken		Epworth Leagues						Sunday Schools													Lay Activities			Grand Total Table II
	General Organ	Conference Organ	No. Leagues	Members	Raised for Missions	Raised on Anniversary Day	Raised for All Other Objects	Total Raised by Epworth Leagues	No. of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	No. on Cradle Roll	No. in Home Department	No. in All Other Departments	Total Enrollment in All Departments	Average Weekly Attendance	No. of Sunday School Library Books	No. of Pupils Who Have Joined Church	No. Taking Train'g Courses	No. of Wesley Classes	Amount Raised on Sunday School Day	Amount Raised for Missions	Amount Raised for All Other Purposes	Total Amount Raised by Sunday Schools	Number of Brotherhoods	Number of Members	Raised by Brotherhoods	
Arlington	1	13	1	26	$ 5	....	$ 40	$ 45	1	15	12	10	260	297	150	.....	27	....	2	$ 5	$ 72	$ 420	$ 497	....	....	....	$ 542
Bellefontaine	....	....	1	33	15	$ 5	105	125	1	8	15	.....	100	123	51	.....	1	6	1	6	150	153	309	....	....	....	434
Bridgeton	1	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	7	....	.....	60	67	50	.....	3	....	....	3	25	26	54	....	....	....	54
Cabanne	5	35	1	82	200	2	414	616	1	33	33	.....	294	360	205	.....	43	9	....	40	28	883	951	....	....	....	1,567
Centenary	5	150	2	296	147	2	505	654	1	65	220	.....	2,015	2,300	880	.....	200	141	16	50	638	2,745	3,433	....	....	....	4,087
Christy Memorial	....	15	3	110	66	6	160	232	1	32	54	82	272	440	179	.....	24	4	....	6	120	406	532	1	29	33	797
Clayton	1	11	1	34	30	8	39	77	1	21	15	.....	165	201	150	.....	.....	.....	....	13	50	250	313	1	17	17	407
Eureka and Crescent	2	8	1	20	.....	....	36	36	2	13	15	20	170	218	90	.....	40	.....	....	6	24	550	580	....	....	....	616
Ferguson	1	20	2	43	50	1	125	176	1	22	45	12	238	317	200	250	15	60	....	10	150	747	907	....	....	....	1,083
Grand Avenue	....	....	1	77	93	2	150	245	1	36	66	30	355	487	260	.....	.....	7	....	25	174	951	1,150	....	....	....	1,395
Haven Street	2	30	1	100	18	....	.....	18	1	23	45	48	361	477	200	.....	.....	.....	3	7	102	702	811	....	....	....	829
Immanuel	1	6	1	26	.....	....	27	27	1	22	20	.....	208	250	145	50	33	5	....	10	150	396	556	....	....	....	583
Kingdom House	....	....	1	25	50	....	23	73	1	13	22	.....	100	135	85	.....	5	.....	....	3	.....	95	98	....	....	....	171
Kirkwood	3	75	1	45	50	3	101	154	1	29	24	.....	229	282	158	.....	35	2	1	13	100	494	607	....	....	....	761
LaFayette Park	2	40	2	168	100	12	258	370	1	62	125	.....	1,019	1,206	316	.....	63	11	18	20	50	946	1,016	....	....	....	1,386
Manchester	....	6	1	27	.....	....	13	13	2	6	2	.....	70	78	50	.....	2	.....	....	9	.....	44	53	....	....	....	66
Marvin Memorial	1	7	1	50	40	....	70	110	1	21	213	50	340	624	128	.....	16	6	....	13	45	535	593	....	....	....	703
Mt. Auburn	1	22	2	63	80	3	215	298	1	35	.....	40	442	517	249	175	28	50	2	11	30	1,027	1,068	....	....	....	1,366
New Haven	....	15	2	33	10	....	12	22	1	15	10	35	110	170	72	.....	10	1	3	5	49	177	231	....	....	....	253
St. John's	3	135	1	46	125	3	43	171	1	60	55	35	442	592	302	.....	30	15	6	56	150	1,566	1,772	1	60	....	1,943
St. Paul's	....	....	1	44	25	5	146	176	1	66	26	43	453	588	230	.....	24	12	....	16	295	1,372	1,683	....	....	....	1,859
Scruggs—First	1	15	1	82	125	....	95	220	1	32	78	38	384	532	258	.....	25	.....	....	28	261	1,183	1,472	....	....	....	1,692
Shaw Avenue	2	54	3	88	165	2	225	392	1	42	86	.....	734	862	275	75	18	8	3	20	250	650	920	....	....	....	1,312
Stephan Memorial	1	8	1	34	75	2	42	119	1	18	54	6	156	234	112	100	8	9	4	16	60	516	592	....	....	....	711
University City	3	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	34	21	14	221	290	180	25	25	7	....	13	90	625	728	....	....	....	728
Valley Park	....	....	3	46	16	3	94	114	2	16	35	.....	185	236	100	20	20	6	....	7	55	263	325	....	....	....	439
Vinita Park	1	6	2	50	.....	....	6	6	1	16	25	15	135	191	80	.....	12	.....	2	1	45	566	612	....	....	....	618
Wagoner Place	2	29	1	62	100	....	75	175	1	43	22	8	436	509	305	100	16	11	....	20	200	578	798	....	....	....	973
Washington	....	....	1	38	.....	....	.....	.....	1	13	15	12	41	81	60	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	54	118	172	....	....	....	172
Total	39	736	39	1,748	$ 1,586	$ 59	$ 3,019	$ 4,664	32	818	1,353	498	9,995	12,664	5,528	795	723	370	65	$ 432	$ 3,417	$ 18,984	$ 22,833	4	106	50	$ 27,547
Total last year	38	849	43	1,914	1,648	45	2,480	4,173	32	828	1,193	619	9,654	12,294	.....	.....	720	....	75	223	3,329	19,483	23,035	....	....	....	27,208
Increase	1	....	....	....	....	$ 14	$ 539	$ 491	....	.....	160	.....	341	370	.....	.....	3	....	.....	$ 209	$ 92	.....	.....	4	106	50	$ 349
Decrease	....	113	4	166	$ 62	....	.....	.....	....	10	.....	122	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	$ 499	$ 202	....	....	....	.....

Table No. III—Financial

ST. LOUIS DISTRICT

CHARGES	Presiding Elder		Preacher in Charge		District Work		Conference Work		General Work		Foreign Missions Specials	Home Missions Specials	Conference Missions Specials	Raised This Year								Brought Forward From Table I	Brought Forward From Table II	Total	Less Items Reported Twice	Grand Total For Year
	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid				On Centenary Pledges	On Christian Education Pledges	For Superannuate Endowment	For Hospitals	For Orphanage	For Incidentals and Other Objects	For Conference Claimants	Special for Marvin College					
Arlington	$ 50	$ 50	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 10	.....	78	$ 78	$ 92	$ 92	.....	.....	.....	$ 68	$ 81	.....	.....	.....	$ 1,698	$ 63	$ 30	$ 1,805	$ 547	$ 5,512	$ 72	$ 5,440
Bellefontaine	100	100	1,200	1,200	.....	.....	186	186	217	217	.....	.....	.....	188	100	.....	50	25	230	78	50	961	434	3,819	363	3,456
Bridgeton	40	40	490	490	.....	.....	69	69	81	81	.....	.....	.....	52	1,050	.....	.....	.....	100	32	20	30	54	2,018	25	1,993
Cabanne	325	325	3,300	3,300	150	.....	737	737	863	863	.....	.....	.....	760	856	.....	.....	.....	4,113	217	225	2,492	1,567	15,455	.....	15,455
Centenary	500	500	5,000	5,000	200	200	1,613	1,613	1,887	1,887	.....	.....	.....	2,898	1,773	.....	.....	.....	10,810	330	400	3,490	4,087	32,988	200	32,788
Christy Memorial	100	100	2,000	2,000	75	75	184	184	216	216	.....	.....	.....	495	130	.....	.....	.....	644	126	75	1,860	797	6,702	472	6,230
Clayton	70	70	2,000	2,000	25	.....	104	104	121	121	.....	.....	.....	81	.....	.....	.....	.....	990	124	50	4,003	407	7,950	930	7,020
Eureka and Crescent	90	90	1,200	1,200	.....	.....	115	115	135	135	.....	.....	.....	118	.....	.....	.....	.....	250	78	55	7,460	616	10,117	.....	10,117
Ferguson	100	100	1,800	1,800	25	.....	221	221	259	259	.....	.....	.....	37	165	.....	.....	.....	815	114	50	1,775	1,083	6,419	150	6,269
Grand Avenue	140	140	3,000	3,000	75	.....	304	304	356	356	.....	.....	.....	581	293	.....	.....	.....	2,343	188	100	1,589	1,396	10,290	350	9,940
Haven Street	150	150	2,500	1,949	25	25	332	200	388	250	.....	.....	.....	638	427	.....	.....	.....	1,867	75	75	1,671	829	8,156	370	7,786
Immanuel	100	100	1,500	1,500	25	25	171	171	199	199	.....	.....	.....	123	32	.....	.....	.....	1,039	96	50	989	583	4,907	.....	4,907
Kingdom House	60	60	137	137	10	.....	97	97	113	113	.....	.....	.....	.....	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	60	75	171	762	.....	762
Kirkwood	160	160	2,000	2,000	25	.....	334	334	391	391	.....	.....	.....	1,537	958	.....	.....	.....	1,975	130	125	2,125	761	10,496	1,307	9,189
Lafayette Park	260	260	3,000	3,000	75	.....	622	622	728	728	41	.....	.....	644	700	.....	.....	.....	4,783	195	.....	11,080	1,386	23,439	.....	23,439
Manchester	100	100	1,100	1,100	.....	.....	134	134	156	156	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	72	50	173	66	1,921	.....	1,921
Marvin Memorial	60	60	600	600	25	25	111	111	129	129	.....	.....	.....	122	52	.....	.....	.....	1,095	40	25	475	703	3,437	125	3,312
Mt. Auburn	140	140	1,800	1,800	50	50	323	323	377	377	.....	.....	.....	792	158	.....	.....	50	2,373	117	75	1,530	1,366	9,151	415	8,736
New Haven	120	120	1,200	1,200	.....	.....	138	138	162	162	.....	.....	.....	92	124	.....	.....	.....	246	80	65	713	253	3,193	322	2,871
St. John's	1,000	1,000	6,000	6,000	600	600	3,272	3,272	3,828	3,828	.....	.....	.....	3,000	25,704	.....	100,151	15,000	24,400	420	900	10,150	1,943	196,368	.....	196,368
St. Paul's	250	250	3,000	3,000	100	100	530	530	620	620	.....	.....	.....	992	2,071	.....	.....	.....	4,198	195	150	1,830	1,859	15,795	378	15,417
Scruggs, First	150	150	1,800	1,800	75	.....	308	308	360	360	.....	.....	.....	330	221	.....	.....	.....	1,824	117	50	1,276	1,692	8,128	.....	8,128
Shaw Avenue	250	250	3,000	3,000	75	.....	553	553	647	647	.....	.....	.....	609	189	.....	.....	.....	2,822	195	225	1,174	1,312	10,976	925	10,051
Stephan Memorial	50	50	2,400	2,400	10	10	83	83	97	97	.....	.....	.....	99	114	.....	10	25	349	147	30	1,829	711	5,954	70	5,884
University City	150	170	3,000	3,000	100	100	286	286	334	334	.....	.....	.....	1,160	180	.....	.....	.....	2,294	189	75	3,110	728	11,626	.....	11,626
Valley Park	80	80	1,150	1,150	25	.....	104	104	122	122	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	473	73	50	332	439	2,823	.....	2,823
Vinita Park	60	60	1,200	1,200	25	25	111	111	129	129	.....	.....	.....	843	616	.....	.....	10	181	75	30	3,356	618	7,254	459	6,795
Wagoner Place	260	260	3,120	3,170	125	.....	645	645	755	755	.....	.....	.....	436	455	.....	.....	.....	2,078	203	125	4,371	973	13,471	1,905	11,566
Washington	110	101	1,100	1,000	.....	.....	115	25	135	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	266	25	14	2,000	172	3,633	.....	3,633
Total	$ 5,045	$ 5,036	$ 59,397	$ 59,996	$ 1,930	$ 1,235	$ 12,180	$ 11,658	$ 13,897	$ 13,654	$ 41	.....	.....	$ 16,695	$ 36,486	.....	$ 100,211	$ 15,110	$ 74,326	$ 3,806	$ 3,229	$ 73,724	$ 27,553	$ 442,760	$ 8,838	$ 433,922
Total Last Year	5,448	5,471	56,847	56,856	.....	.....	8,949	8,829	12,852	12,633	.....	.....	.....	19,157	24,235	.....	.....	.....	82,088	3,733	.....	86,457	27,208	328,688	4,708	323,980
Increase	.....	.....	$ 2,550	$ 3,140	$ 1,930	$ 1,235	$ 3,231	$ 2,829	$ 45	$ 1,021	$ 41	.....	.....	.....	$ 12,251	.....	$ 100,211	$ 15,110	.....	$ 73	$ 3,229	.....	$ 545	$ 114,072	$ 4,130	$ 109,942
Decrease	$ 403	$ 435	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 2,462	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 7,762	.....	.....	$ 12,733	.....	.....	.....	.....

Table No. I—Membership, Baptism, and Church Property

WEST PLAINS DISTRICT

CHARGES		MEMBERSHIP								CHURCH PROPERTY								INSURANCE						WOMAN'S WORK			GRAND TOTAL TABLE I
		Members Reported Last Year	Local Preachers	Additions on Profession of Faith	Additions by Certificate and Otherwise	Removals by Death and Otherwise	Present Total Membership, Including Local Preachers	Adults Baptised	Infants Baptised	No. of Congregations in Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value	Indebtedness	Value of Other Church Property	Raised for Churches and Parsonages	Property Protection carried with Ch. Ext. Board	Paid for Property Protection	Other Insurance Carried	Premiums Paid	Churches Damaged or Destr'd	Parsonages Damaged or Destr'd	Amount of Damage	Loss Collected	No. of Societies	Members	Total Amount Raised by Woman's Missionary Societies	
Alton and Thomasville	J. H. Jones	178	1	37	8	6	217	27	1	2	2	$ 1,500		1	$ 800			$ 195			$ 1,500	$ 38					1	13	$ 105	$ 338
Anutt Ct.	J. J. Willis	163	1		2	2	163			6	4	4,000		1	1,000			70												70
Birch Tree and Eminence	C. D. Hewitt	303	2	14	8		325	12		6	4	4,000		2	2,500			215			2,250	13								228
Bourbon Ct.	C. R. Baker	234	2	8	14	31	225	3	10	4	4	7,500	$ 100	1	1,500			1,800			2,400	43								1,843
Cabool Ct.	A. W. Selby	126	2	12		3	135	8		4	4	5,800		1	700			215			2,900	29								244
Chaonia Ct.	G. W. Owenby	268				9	259			6	4	2,500																		
Couch Ct.	J. H. Jones	212		3	3		218	3		5	5	4,000		1	450															
Ellington Ct.	D. E. Cannaday	347	1		7	213	141	1	5	7	7	8,000		2	1,400						4,000	35					1	25	369	404
Grandin Ct.	Roy Le Grande	389		26	5	22	398	28	1	6	8	8,500		2	2,000		$ 500				900		1		$ 235	$ 235				
Houston	J. A. Bertram	232	1	8	2	3	239	7	3	2	1	500		1	1,000	$ 400	1,000				400	35								35
Koshkonong	M. P. Smotherman	72		4	4		80	4		1	1	1,500					200				1,000	8								8
Labaddie and Gray's Summit	Thos. Lord	120			1		121		3	3	3	10,000	700	1	2,000		350	950			5,800						2	30	316	1,266
Licking Ct.	John Wheary	175		7	1	4	179			3	4	4,000		1	2,100			116			2,900	23								139
Montier Ct.	W. V. Gastin	265	1	8	4	3	274	7	2	5	3½			1	1,500						500						1	11	3	3
Red Bird Ct.	Fred Andrews	125		5	2	2	130	5		4	4	8,000		1	250						4,300	6								6
Salem	I. C. Bradsher	215		11	56	54	228		4	2	2	5,800		1	2,000		400	696			6,500	140					1	22	396	1,232
St. Clair and Anaconda	J. C. Montgomery	204		5	3	5	207	4	2	3	2	6,500		1	2,000						4,800	27					1	15	153	180
St. James and Mill Creek	R. J. Blunt	212		19	2	83	150	18		2	2	8,500		1	2,500			100			3,200									100
Steelville Mission	C. R. Baker	206	1	3	8	3	214	1	4	4	2	1,000		1	1,200	300					800									
Summerville and Pl. Grove	M. P. Smotherman	200		9		2	207	5	1	5	4	2,200		1	200						650	6								6
Thayer	H. P. Waits	165		15	22	2	200	15	2	1	1	12,000		2	3,900	1,300		1,296			8,000	65					1	25	742	2,103
Tucker Ct.	S. L. Johnston	165				65	100			3	3	2,400						34												34
Van Buren Ct.	D. B. Kazee	333	2	55	8	10	386	55	4	5	2	4,000		2	2,600	630	100	2,400			1,600	39					1	12	303	2,742
West Plains	O. A. Bowers	240		14	10	31	233	7	3	1	1	12,200		1	2,000			465			4,100	9					2	41	672	1,146
West Plains Ct.	J. M. Willard	227	1				227			4	4	4,000		1	400															
Williamsville and Greenville	Smith Givan	370	1	13	2	40	345	3		5	4	8,750		2	3,000			395				22								417
Total		5,746	16	276	172	593	5,601	213	45	99	85½	$ 137,150	$ 800	29	$ 37,000	$ 2,630	$ 2,550	$ 8,947			$ 58,500	$ 538	1		$ 235	$ 235	11	194	$ 3,059	$ 12,544
Total last year			24	468	227	250	5,746	362	80	103	84	150,800	2,460	30	48,100	900	1,198	5,886			55,400	432					10	199	2,355	12,917
Increase						343					1½					$ 1,730	$ 1,452	$ 3,061			$ 3,100	$ 106	1		$ 235	$ 235	1		$ 704	
Decrease			8	192	55		145	149	35	4		$ 13,650	$ 1,660	1	$ 11,100													5		$ 373

Table No. II—Epworth League, Sunday School, Etc.

WEST PLAINS DISTRICT

CHARGES	Church Papers Taken		Epworth Leagues						Sunday Schools														Lay Activities			Grand Total Table II
	General Organ	Conference Organ	No. Leagues	Members	Raised for Missions	Raised on Anniversary Day	Raised for All Other Objects	Total Raised by Epworth Leagues	No. of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	No. on Cradle Roll	No. in Home Department	No. in All Other Departments	Total Enrollment in All Departments	Average Weekly Attendance	No. of Sunday School Library Books	No. of Pupils Who Have Joined Church	No. Taking Train'g Courses	No. of Wesley Classes	Amount Raised on Sunday School Day	Amount Raised for Missions	Amount Raised for All Other Purposes	Total Amount Raised by Sunday Schools	Number of Brotherhoods	Number of Members	Raised by Brotherhoods	
Alton and Thomasville	1	8	3	95			$ 30	$ 30	2	18	5	18	125	166	90		24	1		$ 6	$ 24	$ 125	$ 155				185
Anutt Ct		7							3	16			100	116	50					11		28	39				39
Birch Tree and Eminence	1	9	1	30			20	20	5	34	14		270	318	80		10			4		298	302				322
Bourbon Ct	1	15	2	48			28	28	2	14	21		149	184	98		10			7		85	92				120
Cabool Ct	2	4							2	10			50	60	45												
Chaonia Ct									1	5			43	48	35							23	23				23
Couch Ct			1	30			5	5	3	25	20		120	165	90			3				45	45				50
Ellington Ct		7	1	38			85	85	3	12			73	85	50			2		12		206	218				303
Grandin Ct			1	18			10	10	6	31	20		240	291	210		30				65	315	380				390
Houston			1	20					2	17			185	202	135			5		8		250	258				258
Koshkonong			1	17			20	20	1	4			71	75	25		4					34	34				54
Labaddie and Gray's Summit	1	20	1				6	6	2	20	11	12	109	152	75	50				4	50	240	294				300
Licking Ct		3	2	47			13	13	3	18		5	112	135	90			6		8		98	106				119
Montier Ct		4	3	34					1																		
Red Bird Ct			4	125					3	12			88	100	70			2		10		50	60				60
Salem	2	22	1	32	$ 20	$ 8	37	65	2	23	21		224	268	196		15			30	146	450	626				691
St. Clair and Anaconda	1	10	1	43					1	12	33	16	110	171	80		1	4	1	25		127	152				152
St. James and Mill Creek	1	12	1	24		2	6	8	2	14	9		131	154	65		15	12	2	25		124	149				157
Steelville Mission		2							2	10			80	90	50							25	25				25
Summerville and Pl. Grove		3	2	30			15	15	4	30			170	200	120		1					145	145				160
Thayer			2	55			10	10	1	17	27	11	185	240	142		18			10	61	235	306				316
Tucker									2	11			80	91	60							25	25				25
Van Buren Ct	1	8	1	31					4	26	18		380	424	275		50	5			32	288	320				320
West Plains	1	10	2	75			9	9	1	17	13		183	213	113		14	6	1	17	8	373	398				407
West Plains Ct									1	6			12	18	15												
Williamsville and Greenville			2	40			5	5	2	14		3	143	160	110		9					171	171				176
Total	12	144	33	832	$ 20	$ 10	$ 299	$ 329	61	416	212	65	3,433	4,126	2,369	50	201	46	4	$ 177	$ 386	$ 3,760	$ 4,323				4,652
Total last year	12	223	34	964	62	20	295	377	64	496	170	90	4,256	5,013			192		8	27	307	3,527	3,861				4,238
Increase							$ 4				42				2,369	50	9	46		$ 150	$ 79	$ 233	$ 462				414
Decrease		79	1	132	$ 42	$ 10		$ 48	3	80		25	823	887					4								

Table No. III—Financial

WEST PLAINS DISTRICT

CHARGES	Presiding Elder		Preacher in Charge		District Work		Conference Work		General Work		Foreign Missions Specials	Home Missions Specials	Conference Missions Specials	Raised This Year								Brought Forward From Table I	Brought Forward From Table II	Total	Less Items Reported Twice	Grand Total For Year
	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid				On Centenary Pledges	On Christian Education Pledges	For Superannuate Endowment	For Hospitals	For Orphanage	For Incidentals and Other Objects	For Conference Claimants	Special for Marvin College					
Alton and Thomasville	$ 153	$ 153	$ 1,022	$ 1,022	$ 50	$ 50	$ 98	$ 98	$ 113	$ 113				$ 47					$ 421	$ 70	$ 29	$ 338	$ 185	$ 2,526	$ 12	$ 2,514
Anutt Ct	78	78	522	522	25	25	61	61	71	71				26	$ 5				37	36	18	70	39	988	38	950
Birch Tree and Eminence	180	180	1,200	1,125	30	30	114	54	156	82									300	20	27	228	322	2,368	530	1,838
Bourbon Ct	117	117	783	783	30	18	89	52	105	61				31					565	24	18	1,843	120	3,632		3,632
Cabool Ct	90	90	600	581			20	20	23	23									133	42	6	244		1,139		1,139
Chaonia Ct	78	48	520	287	15		32	3	37	12													23	373		373
Couch Ct			200	50	18		20		40														50	100		100
Ellington Ct	180	180	1,200	949	30	30	110	110	128	128				22					175	83		404	303	2,384		2,384
Grandin Ct	107	75	718	613	30	28	55	6	65	11									247	50			390	1,420		1,420
Houston	150	150	1,000	1,000	120	120	120	120	140	140									550	69	36	35	258	2,478		2,478
Koshkonong	36	36	158	158	25	19	25		25										153			8	54	428		428
Labaddie and Gray's Summit	124	124	810	810	25	25	116	116	135	110				360	233				250	56	35	1,266	300	3,685		3,685
Licking Ct	100	100	700	700	25	25	78	20	90	25				40					268	19	23	139	119	1,478	259	1,219
Montier Ct	48	48	375	375	15	15	32	32	37	37		$ 10							80	25		3		625		625
Red Bird Ct	58	24	450	389	10	10	40	6	60	8									280	6	16	6	60	805		805
Salem	180	180	1,200	1,244		10	81	81	107	107				352	115				451	82	28	1,232	691	4,573	640	3,933
St. Clair and Anaconda	150	150	1,000	1,000	50	50	120	120	140	140				154					900	72	36	180	152	2,954	37	2,917
St. James and Mill Creek	133	133	887	887	40	40	100	100	116	116				12	212				577	61	30	100	157	2,425		2,425
Steelville Mission	50	5	300	150	20		60		44												19		25	199		199
Summerville and Pl. Grove	116	88	650	500	35	35	44	20	52	30									150	25	10	6	160	1,024	166	857
Thayer	270	270	1,800	1,800	75	54	169	123	197	142				246	5				272	90	51	2,103	316	5,472	515	4,957
Tucker Ct		16		109		6	47	3	39	5				60					40	7		34	25	305		305
Van Buren Ct	136	136	900	900	25	25	79	58	91	64				22	12				105	48		2,742	320	4,432	31	4,401
West Plains	270	270	1,800	1,800			169	169	197	197				8					492	125	51	1,146	407	4,665	494	4,171
West Plains Ct	45	16	300	109															6					131		132
Williamsville and Greenville	180	146	1,200	1,100	25	25	105	59	128	68									353	60	44	417	176	2,448		2,448
Total	$ 3,029	$ 2,813	$ 20,295	$ 18,963	$ 718	$ 640	$ 1,984	$ 1,431	$ 2,336	$ 1,690		$ 10		$ 1,380	$ 582				$ 6,805	$ 1,070	$ 477	$ 12,544	$ 4,652	$ 52,957	$ 2,722	$ 50,235
Total Last Year	2,865	2,721	15,192	17,718			2,384	845	3,362	1,237				824	538				4,715	658		12,917	4,238	43,941	892	43,049
Increase	$ 164	$ 92	$ 5,103	$ 1,245	$ 718	$ 640		$ 586		$ 453		$ 10		$ 556	$ 44				$ 2,090	$ 412	$ 477		$ 414	$ 9,016	$ 1,830	$ 7,186
Decrease							$ 400		$ 1,026													$ 373				

Table No. I—Membership, Baptism, and Church Property

RECAPITULATION

DISTRICT		MEMBERSHIP								CHURCH PROPERTY								INSURANCE						WOMAN'S WORK			GRAND TOTAL TABLE I
		Members Reported Last Year	Local Preachers	Additions on Profession of Faith	Additions by Certificate and Otherwise	Removals by Death and Otherwise	Present Total Membership, Including Local Preachers	Adults Baptised	Infants Baptised	No. of Congregations in Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value	Indebtedness	Value of Other Church Property	Raised for Churches and Parsonages	Property Protection carried with Ch. Ext. Board	Paid for Property Protection	Other Insurance Carried	Premiums Paid	Churches Damaged or Destr'd	Parsonages Damaged or Destr'd	Amount of Damage	Loss Collected	No. of Societies	Members	Total Amount Raised by Woman's Missionary Societies	
Cape Girardeau	A. C. Johnson	8,866	21	263	354	575	8,909	169	121	58	56½	$ 406,400	$12,727	22	$ 60,800	$ 9,886	$ 10,950	$16,436	$28,000	....	$ 291,400	$1,572	....	....	$ 930	$ 930	26	719	$ 8,124	$ 26,132
Farmington	O. H. Duggins	8,263	18	532	287	1,094	7,988	294	97	67	65	287,100	14,275	26	54,950	5,271	54,531	13,780	.....	....	134,200	892	2	....	1,203	803	21	471	7,848	22,520
Poplar Bluff	H. P. Crowe	6,873	14	373	279	414	7,111	301	77	52	48	202,800	20,060	24	64,000	4,922	36,300	15,157	.....	....	148,100	1,175	....	....	.....	.....	22	745	10,190	26,522
St. Louis	M. T. Haw	13,105	12	1,267	1,200	1,889	13,683	575	333	34	33	1,180,000	44,350	20	115,000	18,225	67,300	42,715	.....	....	956,410	3,884	3	....	4,109	1,609	36	1,190	32,127	78,726
West Plains	W. E. Brown	5,746	16	276	172	593	5,601	213	45	99	85½	137,150	800	29	37,000	2,630	2,550	8,947	.....	....	58,500	538	1	....	235	235	11	194	3,059	12,544
Total		42,853	81	2,711	2,292	4,565	43,292	1,552	673	310	288	$ 2,213,450	$92,212	121	$ 331,750	$ 40,934	$ 171,631	$ 97,035	$28,000	....	$ 2,295,110	$8,061	6	....	$ 6,477	$ 3,577	116	3,319	$ 61,348	$ 166,444
Total last year		.....	85	3.504	2,944	2,950	42,853	1,958	780	313	284½	2,162,047	85,844	122	316,200	35,290	132,163	85,999	.....	....	1,534,690	6,708	8	1	4,419	1,770	106	3,467	53,490	146,197
Increase		.....	....	.....	.....	1,615	439	.....	.....	....	3½	$ 51,403	$ 6,368	....	$ 15,550	$ 5,644	$ 39,468	$ 11,036	$28,000	....	$ 760,420	$1,353	....	....	$ 20,62	$ 1,807	10	.....	$ 7,858	$ 20,247
Decrease		.....	4	793	652	.....	.....	406	107	3	....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	2	1	.....	.....	....	148	.....	.....

Table No. II—Epworth League, Sunday School, Etc.

RECAPITULATION

DISTRICT	Church Papers Taken		Epworth Leagues						Sunday Schools																Lay Activities			Grand Total Table II
	General Organ	Conference Organ	No. Leagues	Members	Raised for Missions	Raised on Anniversary Day	Raised for All Other Objects	Total Raised by Epworth Leagues	No. of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	No. on Cradle Roll	No. in Home Department	No. in All Other Departments	Total Enrollment in All Departments	Average Weekly Attendance	No. of Sunday School Library Books	No. of Pupils Who Have Joined Church	No. Taking Train'g Courses	No. of Wesley Classes	Amount Raised on Sunday School Day	Amount Raised for Missions	Amount Raised for All Other Purposes	Total Amount Raised by Sunday Schools	Number of Brotherhoods	Number of Members	Raised by Brotherhoods	
Cape Girardeau	19	277	25	686	$ 274	$ 15	$ 910	$ 1,199	48	523	406	412	6,162	7,503	3,391	110	241	46	53	$ 310	$ 1,545	$ 6,640	$ 8,495	....	....	....	$ 9,694
Farmington	23	316	31	1,029	535	39	932	1,506	52	522	361	26	5,361	6,270	3,526	369	230	13	10	172	938	5,912	7,022	1	20	....	8,528
Poplar Bluff	27	279	29	941	233	7	744	984	47	495	418	189	5,623	6,725	3,830	220	269	9	24	105	1,191	6,773	8,069	....	....	....	9,053
St. Louis	39	736	39	1,748	1,586	59	3,019	4,664	32	818	1,353	498	9,995	12,664	5,528	795	723	370	65	432	3,417	18,984	22,833	4	106	$ 50	27,547
West Plains	12	144	33	832	20	10	299	329	61	416	212	65	3,433	4,126	2,369	50	201	46	4	177	386	3,760	4,323	....	....	....	4,652
Total	120	1732	157	5,236	$ 2,648	$ 130	$ 5,904	$ 8,682	240	2,774	2,750	1,190	30,574	37,288	18,644	1,544	1,664	484	156	$ 1,196	$ 7,477	$ 42,069	$ 50,742	5	126	$ 50	$ 59,474
Total last year	140	2139	165	5,712	2,918	101	5,298	8,317	256	2,940	2,783	1,265	32,378	39,368	.....	.....	1,999	....	181	485	6,701	42,665	50,095	....	....	....	58,412
Increase	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 29	$ 606	$ 365	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18,644	1,544	335	484	....	$ 711	$ 776	.....	$ 647	5	126	$ 50	$ 1,062
Decrease	20	407	8	476	$ 270	....	.....	.....	16	166	33	75	1,804	2,080	.....	.....	.....	....	25	.....	.....	$ 596	.....	....	....	....	.....

Table No. III—Financial

RECAPITULATION

DISTRICT	Presiding Elder		Preacher in Charge		District Work		Conference Work		General Work		Foreign Missions Specials	Home Missions Specials	Conference Missions Specials	Raised This Year								Brought Forward From Table I	Brought Forward From Table II	Total	Less Items Reported Twice	Grand Total For Year
	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid				On Centenary Pledges	On Christian Education Pledges	For Superannuate Endowment	For Hospitals	For Orphanage	For Incidentals and Other Objects	For Conference Claimants	Special for Marvin College					
Cape Girardeau	$ 3,944	$ 3,681	$ 32,685	$ 31,646	.....	.....	$ 6,575	$ 3,642	$ 7,692	$ 4,243	$ 10	.....	.....	$ 5,497	$ 2,185	.....	$ 22	.....	$ 10,365	$ 1,545	$1,213	$ 25,932	$ 9,694	$ 99,675	$ 1,635	$ 98,040
Farmington	3,952	3,701	28,951	28,408	$ 56	$ 56	5,875	3,278	6,997	3,956	45	$ 35	.....	5,013	5,807	.....	60	$ 10	12,714	1,310	1,128	22,520	8,528	96,569	4,019	92,550
Poplar Bluff	4,372	4,239	35,114	34,507	.....	.....	6,483	3,237	7,760	3,808	109	27	.....	4,686	536	.....	25	.....	11,194	1,574	1,146	26,522	9,053	100,663	2,647	98,016
St. Louis	5,045	5,036	59,397	59,996	1,930	1,235	12,180	11,658	13,897	13,654	41	.....	.....	16,695	36,486	.....	100,211	15,110	74,326	3,806	3,229	73,724	27,553	442,760	8,838	433,922
West Plains	3,029	2,813	20,295	18,963	718	640	1,984	1,431	2,336	1,690	.....	10	.....	1,380	582	.....	.....	.....	6,805	1,070	477	12,544	4,652	52,957	2,722	50,235
Total	$ 20,342	$ 19,470	$ 176,442	$ 173,520	$ 2,704	$ 1,931	$ 33,097	$ 23,246	$ 38,682	$ 27,351	$205	$ 72	.....	$ 33,271	$ 45,596	.....	$ 100,318	$ 15,120	$ 115,404	$ 9,305	$ 7,193	$ 161,242	$ 59,480	$ 792,624	$ 19,861	$ 752,763
Total Last Year	21,926	20,945	172,593	166,146	2,030	2,030	22,654	16,480	34,744	24,424	.....	.....	.....	29,730	27,737	.....	.....	.....	137,865	9,734	.....	146,197	58,412	639,700	13,139	626,561
Increase	.....	.....	$ 3,849	$ 7,374	$ 674	.....	$ 10,343	$ 6,766	$ 3,938	$ 2,927	$205	$ 72	.....	$ 3,541	$ 17,859	.....	$ 100,318	$ 15,120	.....	.....	$ 7,193	$ 15,045	$ 1,068	$ 133,024	$ 6,722	$ 126,302
Decrease	$ 1,584	$ 1,475	.....	.....	.....	$ 99	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 22,461	$ 429	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

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